

East Leake Parish Council

Minutes of a virtual meeting of the Amenities Committee held on-line on Tuesday 20th October 2020

The meeting opened at 7.30 pm

In attendance Councillors, Sara Budzik, Chair; Lynn Forsyth, Vice-chair; Chris Mulligan, Mel Roper, Kevin Shaw, Len Simmons, Liz Taylor, Lesley Way, Lindsey Maggs

The Clerk Neil Lambert and Deputy Clerk Sue Lewis were also present, and Cllr Thomas and 3 members of the public

20/Ame/30 Apologies for absence – none, all present

20/Ame/31 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda – none

20/Ame/32 Chair's announcements – none

**20/Ame/33 To report any matters arising from Minutes of the meeting held
September 15th 2020 not on the agenda** – for information only –
none

20/Ame/34 Project tracker

- **Play area repair** (Gotham Road fenced area). The Clerk reported that the inspection had taken place on 19th October and that a report will be considered at Full Council on 27th October
- **Market** Friday November 20th not on field, but use of Gotham Road and Parish Office car parks was AGREED

- **Christmas trees and lights.** Cllr Shaw reported on unsuccessful negotiations with Blachere, but that a local electrician has quoted to do the work on the installing lights in a large tree on Main Street opposite the Greengrocer. It was AGREED to place order with MLE to supply and install for approx £3k
- It was AGREED to install additional trees on shop fronts previously decorated by their landlord, and that Streetwise are to quote for collecting and installing the 3 larger trees outside the butchers, Village Hall, and St Marys Church
- **Play equipment** Oldershaw Trust (S106 Flowers Estate)
Cllr Forsyth reported that she had met with the Tree Warden, Wendy Thompson on site and were developing ideas for natural wooden equipment. The next working party will meet on 29th October
- **Water drinking fountain (tap).** The Deputy Clerk was requested to expedite installation on front of public WC on Gotham Road, with Cllr Mulligan to provide contact details for a plumber. Cllr Maggs had provided illustrations of different designs across a range of prices

20/Ame/35 Priorities feedback and allocation of project leads

Cllr Budzik had circulated the outcomes from the prioritisation exercise on 19th October

The top 8 are:-

1. Woodland Trail on Oldershaw Trust land
2. Children's learn to cycle track on Recreation field
3. Tidy planting by post office (already started)
4. Install bird and bat boxes around the village
5. More bulb and wildflower planting in village
6. Improve play facilities on Recreation field
7. Improve path from Depot to Millstone
8. Poppies around the war memorial

Cllr Budzik also circulated a merged grid for the tracker and priorities outcomes as a Word version, rather than Excel spreadsheet. Councillors were requested to study the details presented in the new format and offer to be volunteers or make comments

Cllr Simmons will lead #2, and Cllr Mulligan #4

It was AGREED to convene the working party to decide location for football posts

20/Ame/36 To report correspondence received since the last meeting – for information only

- Himalayan Balsam in Kingston Brook – email from Notts Biodiversity AG
- Flooding – report produced by Ruth Edwards MP – circulated

20/Ame/37 **Questions to Chair (in accordance with Standing Order 1u) –**
none

Meeting closed at 8.21pm