

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE
PARISH COUNCIL, HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.30PM**

Present: Councillors, Sara Budzik (Chair), Lynn Forsyth, Richard Miller, Chris Mulligan, Mel Roper, Kevin Shaw, Liz Taylor, Lesley Way, Lindsey Maggs

The Clerk Sue Lewis, Cllrs Donna Griggs, Carys Thomas and one member of the public were also present.

20/AME/38 **Apologies for Absence**

None

20/AME/39 **Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda**

None

20/AME/40 **Chair's Announcements**

None

20/AME/41 **To Report any Matters Arising from Minutes of the Meeting held 20th
October 2020 not on the agenda – for information only**

None

20/AME/42 **To Agree offer of laying hedges on proposed Costock Road Car Park**

The Chair referred to the email previously circulated. A discussion followed.

RESOLUTION

It was agreed to accept the offer from Conrad to lay the hedge with the Parish Council purchasing the stakes.

**Proposed Cllr Kevin Shaw
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Chris Mulligan

20/AME/43 **To Agree Budget and siting of Wild Flower, Bulbs and Poppies**

Cllr Lesley Way referred to the report previously circulated regarding the purchase and planting of:

- daffodil bulbs for planting on the land next to the post office
- rockery bulbs for the planters
- poppies to be sowed under the railings on the Memorial Ground in March/April.

It was also agreed in the spring that once the bulbs are flowering photographs be taken of the areas where the bulbs are so we have a record.

Future projects for planting of shrubs and bedding plants are the Glebe and Pinfold.

RESOLUTION

That bulbs be purchased for both the planters and land at side of Post Office at a cost of approx. £70.00

**Proposed Cllr Lesley Way
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Kevin Shaw

20/AME/44 To Receive and Discuss Play Inspection Report

All recommendations on the report were minor and the Clerk to put together a list of jobs to be done by the Groundsmen. It was also agreed that the Playground Inspection be reinstated which should pick up a lot of the problems in the report.

Cllr Mel Roper agreed to take Len Simmons place on the Work Party following his resignation along with Cllrs Donna Griggs and Lynn Forsyth

20/AME/45 To Agree and Adopt Tree and Tree Warden Policy

RESOLUTION

It was agreed to adopt the Tree and Tree Warden Policy.

**Proposed Cllr Sara Budzik
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Chris Mulligan

Wendy Thompson the Parish Council Tree Warden was thanked for her well written report.

Cllr Mel Roper reported that a dead tree on Church Close needs replacing.

20/AME/46 Project Tracker – updated and attachments

- **Play Area Repair (Gotham Road fenced area)** – still awaiting test results on the soil. It was agreed to issue another update.
- **Market** - Following the national lockdown the Market planned for 20th November has been cancelled and a provisional date booked for Friday 11th December.
- **Christmas trees & lights - discuss & agree what to do with spare lights** – Cllr Mel Roper reported that there were lights left over from when the electrician put the lights in the tree on Main Street and suggested that they be put in a tree in the grounds of the Bulls Head, a quote has been obtained from the electrician and permission for the Bulls Head to erect them.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Parish Council accept the quotation from M L E Services in the sum of £732.00 to fit Christmas tree lights at the Bulls Head

**Proposed Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Kevin Shaw

- **Play equipment Oldershaw Trust (S106 Flowers Estate)** – Cllr Lynn Forsyth reported that she and Wendy Thompson were drawing up a site plan for equipment for the Oldershaw Trust Land and hope to have options before Christmas when we can consult with the residents of Cornflower Way. A report had also been circulated from the Working Party on the progress they have made so far
- **Water tap** – The Clerk reported that she had tried contacting the previous plumber for an updated quote but failed. Another plumber was contacted and came out to date to visit the site and will get a quote to us as soon as possible. It was agreed that a third quote was required.
- **Goal Posts – to agree where to be sited** – The Chair referred to the report circulated by the Section 106 Working Party and reported that before any plans could be made for Gotham Road Recreation Ground a decision was needed to be made on where the goal posts are to be sited.

RESOLUTION

That the goal posts be positioned away from the Skate park with one post level with the skate park and the other one nearer the bank. They are to be inserted in to a concrete base and be removable. Cllr Lynn Forsyth agreed with the help of her husband to action this. The goal posts to be approx. 25metres apart.

**Proposed Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Lynn Forsyth

20/AME/47

Priorities – Agree to take forward 8 suggested priorities

It was agreed to take forward the top 8 suggestions on the priorities list and as one job is cleared the next propriety be moved on the list.

**Proposed Cllr Sara Budzik
Agreed Unanimously**

Seconded Cllr Mel Roper

Cllr Kevin Shaw reported that the above priorities were not going to cost much therefore he would need know for the budget next year what money is needed for the next items on the list. It was agreed that the leads of the projects come up with a budget.

Hanging Baskets – it was agreed that as the hanging baskets and flower boxes looked good this year we would enhance them more and add different locations.

20/AME/48

To Discuss Editing of next Newsletter

The Chair suggested that Len Simmons wife be approached to edit the next newsletter as she had shown interest. Following a discussion it was agreed to approach her and also enquire if the Scouts or any other local groups would be willing to deliver the newsletter with a donation towards their funds.

20/AME/49

To Report Correspondence received since the last meeting – for information only

1. Email from Pinders Circus expressing an interest to visit in March 2021 – Agenda item in January.
2. Email from young lad who is litter picking for his Duke of Edinburgh Award with locations he has litter picked – Noted
3. AT2 Tree Survey – Offer of conducting a tree condition report – noted
4. VIA East Midlands – Licence giving consent for the erection of Christmas Trees on the highway - noted

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Questions to Chair (in accordance with Standing Order 1u)

There were no questions.

The meeting closed at 9.14pm

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