



WINTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Property Committee Meeting of Winterton Town Council held on Monday 5th March, 2018 at 7.00pm at the Council Offices, 52 West Street, Winterton.

Present:

Cllr D. Johnson (Chair) Cllr P. Mumby (Vice Chair) Cllr M. Foster
Cllr J. Kemp Cllr L. Langton

Public Participation:

No members of the public were in attendance.

- 1803/1 Apologies
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M. Harrison, Cllr P. McCartan and D. Muldown.
- 1803/2 Declaration of Interests
a. No declarations of Interests.
b. No dispensations were granted.
- 1803/3 The Clerk gave an overview of all the properties owned or rented by the Town Council.
- (i) The Council Office
The work on the chimney has now been carried out. The contractor reduced his original quote as there wasn't as much work needed as he had originally quoted for. He has advised that the slate tiles are starting to show signs of wear and tear and advised that in the future, it would be advisable to replace the tiles. Slate tiles would be very costly, however alternatives can be used that look very similar to natural slate at a fraction of the cost.
Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Clerk obtains three quotes, to enable the Council to budget for future repairs and recommends that the replacement tiles match those used on the roof of the Old School Hall.
- The committee discussed the issue of litter and considered the location of the nearest litter bin.
Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Clerk contacts NLC and asks for them to install a litter bin

at/close to the entrance of the library/skate park, as it appears that the litter is created by visitors to these facilities.

(ii) The Old School Hall

The cones that have been loaned to the Infant School to stop parents from parking on the grass verge on the driveway to the school would appear to be working.

A car has been damaged whilst parking in the centre of the car park during school pick up time. A car has tried to reverse out from their parking space and hit the car behind it in the process. At times, there are three lanes of cars parked in the centre making it impossible for anyone parked along the outer edges to get out. Cllr J. Kemp suggested marking out a “No parking” area in the centre of the car park to stop people from parking there.

Recommendation: The committee recommends monitoring the car park daily, with the OSH committee and record problem days/times for further consideration.

The door to the kitchen catches and as a result doesn't close properly. The committee is concerned that in the event of a fire, the door would not function as a fire door, in preventing the spread of fire. Questions were also raised concerning the doors into the main hall and the serving hatch from the kitchen.

Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Council writes to the management committee of the OSH and asks them to look into this matter and put measures in place to address these concerns.

(iii) The Community Pavilion and Playing Fields

The committee considered introducing sanitary hygiene units into the public toilets. The cost per unit is £1.50 and each unit would be emptied on a 13 week cycle. The cost of five bins would be £390 for the year with Cathedral Hygiene.

Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Council installs five bins into the Pavilion at a cost of £390 for the year.

The entry/exit doors have been ordered. Three emergency lights have been replaced due to not re-charging and we are currently looking at the kitchen strip lights as the clips to the light fittings have become brittle and snapped off. We may be able to purchase new clips or at least covers, rather than replacing the whole of the light fittings.

(iv) Winterton Cemetery

The deposit for the Sycamore seed sculpture has now been paid and the artists are liaising with W2022 and the Clerk to arrange an installation date.

- (v) West Street Park
 The Youth Council have begun consulting with other young people within their respective schools regarding the park, who uses the park, what do they think to it and what young people would like to see in there. The Police and Safer Neighbourhoods are to arrange a drop in session at the Council Office on the 14th March for residents living close to the park, to give their thoughts and opinions on the park. An officer from the Humberside Police designing out crime department had visited the site and advised that a park would not be designed in the same way as it is now. The public footpath down the centre, the mound, the narrow closed in entry/exit points and the row of trees all would have been avoided, as these can encourage anti-social behavior. He has offered his assistance further, when some ideas have been put together and will highlight points that could have an impact on anti-social behavior. The tree survey being carried out by NLC has been actioned and we are waiting on the report.
- (vi) Marmion Drive Park
 No points were discussed.
- (vii) Roxby Road Industrial Estate
 The committee considered grit storage and agreed that the storing the grit within the unit is not ideal.
Recommendation: The committee recommends the Council considers purchasing a large lockable plastic shed, big enough to store four pallets to stand our grit on. Possible locations for the shed are the Pavilion car park and the Old School Hall car park.
 The committee considered the current security measures at the site and discussed possible additional measures.
Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Council seeks advice from the Police as to additional security measures that could be introduced.
- (viii) Allotments
 All holders with the exception of two have renewed their Tenancy Agreements. We have three people on the waiting list and so the spare allotments can be taken up immediately. Holders are keen to get involved in Allotment week in August and Winterton in Bloom and at the last meeting, Mrs Linda Cawsey attended as part of Incredible Edible project.

1803/4

Recycling water in our buildings

The committee agrees the Town Council should look ways that it can recycle water. It could do so in a number of ways from collecting rain water to using grey water to flush its toilets.

Recommendation: The committee recommends seeking professional advice as to what options are available to the Council to consider.

The Clerk reported that Water UK are encouraging businesses and public buildings to offer free drinking water to encourage people to drink more water but also to cut down on plastic by encouraging people to use reusable water bottles.

Recommendation: The committee recommends the Council looks into the cost of installing a water fountain at the Community Pavilion, to offer users free drinking water.

1803/5

Entrance signs into the Town

The committee considered the current entry/exit signs to the Town and agreed the signs were very worn and faded. The committee considered a limited number of examples of signage.

Recommendation: The committee recommends the Clerk looks into funding for new signage and takes advice from NLC, whilst obtaining example of different styles of signage available.

1803/6

Update on Finger Post restoration

A recent update from NLC regarding the finger posts was not available at the time of the meeting. The latest update was that the posts have been made and are awaiting installation.

Recommendation: The committee recommends the Clerk follows up this matter with our Ward Officer.

1803/7

Agenda for next and future meeting

The committee asks the War Memorial and Church yard to be included on the list of properties owned or rented by the Town Council going forward.

A review of Grit Bin locations.

1803/8

Next Meeting

The date and time of the next Property Meeting was confirmed as (subject to any change in circumstances).

7.00pm on 22nd May, 2017

At 52 West Street, Winterton