



WINTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Property Committee Meeting of Winterton Town Council held on Monday 21st May, 2018 at 7.00pm at the Council Offices, 52 West Street, Winterton.

Present:

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

Public Participation:

No members of the public were in attendance.

- 1805/1 Apologies
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr P. McCartan.
- 1805/2 Declaration of Interests
a. No declarations of Interests.
b. No dispensations were granted.
- 1805/3 The Clerk gave an overview of all the properties owned or rented by the Town Council.
- (i) The Council Office
Planning permission is being sought to remove the wall in between the OSH and the office. The planning department has requested that we obtain a Heritage report before submitting our application. The notice board on the wall is well used and a number of people make a point of checking it. It was suggested asking if a similar board could be erected on the wall outside Buttonwood yard, close to the church arch. Which would keep it in a focal spot but also mean it is still accessible for Council staff to maintain.
Recommendation: The committee recommends the Council seeks permission from Buttonwood, to site a notice board on their wall, close to the archway into the churchyard.
- (ii) The Old School Hall
The new kitchen is due to be installed during the summer holidays, after receiving funding from Cemex and Winterton 2022. The management committee did consider changing the floor covering in the kitchen at the same time but agreed to keep the existing floor covering as is.

The clerk had discussed the fire doors into the kitchen and the main hall and agreed to arrange a visit with a representative from Humberside Fire service to give their opinion on the doors.

(iii) The Community Pavilion and Playing Fields

Delivery is to be arranged for the tractor and cutting equipment. Full training will be given on the day in line with Kubota warranty and manufacturer guidelines. The tractor will also be used to pull the water bowser.

The Council currently owns two ride on lawn mowers, both used to cut different areas. The John Deere mower, is used to cut the playing field and external verges, it is old and will require regular maintenance going forward. The smaller mower is in good working order but cannot do the role of the larger equipment, particularly of the Council is looking to take on the maintenance of the parish paths and the internal verges.

Recommendation: The committee recommends, the Clerk actions a report on the current equipment used by the grounds team, and its current usage and limitations, and details what equipment is needed going forward to allow the Council to carry out the maintenance it wishes to do and the costs involved.

(iv) Winterton Cemetery

The doors to the Chapels are in need of painting but on closer inspection are going rotten in some places.

The grass on the side of the road down the centre of the cemetery has a large dip in it due to vehicles driving on the road and the verge due to the road not being wide enough of vehicles to drive down. Also, as a result, the kerb stones are being displaced and becoming damaged. Not only is this dangerous but it is beginning to look unsightly.

Recommendation: The committee recommends painting the doors to both Chapels but look to obtain quotes to replace the doors so the costs can be included in next year's budget.

Recommendation: The Committee recommends writing to NLC expressing their concerns over the damage being done to the grass and kerb stones and enquire about a previous plan to widen the road.

(v) West Street Park

The Clerk showed the committee photographs of the wall at the entrance to the park from the High Street. Much of the render has dropped off and there is some damage to the brickwork. The wall is still intact but will require repair to tidy it up and ensure it isn't damaged further and becomes unsafe. The committee discussion the option of lowering the wall to open up the entrance to the park.

Recommendation: The committee recommends seeking advice from the Heritage advisors, to ascertain what could be done to the wall in terms of repairs and possibly altering the existing layout.

(vi) Marmion Drive Park

No points were discussed.

(vii) Roxby Road Industrial Estate

To improve security in the unit, the Police recommend installing a post behind the large shutter door and additional locks on the door and a grill over the fire exit door. They strongly advised fitting the tractor with a tracker and depending on the council's budget, installing a CCTC camera inside.

Recommendation: The committee recommends the Clerk looks into the costs of these additional security measures and reports back to full council on the costs.

(viii) Allotments

A number of allotment holders have experienced flooding on their pitches early spring. It is the plots in the middle of the site that are worst affected due to a dip in the middle. The dyke and the area around the dyke will be strimmed during the drier months, which will hopefully help. We will also look at the dykes at the front of site and look at who is responsible for their up keep. We will continue to monitor the situation in Autumn.

(ix) Churchyard and War Memorial

The clerk reported on the progress of the path/hard standing area around the war memorial in the Churchyard. A more detailed plan has been provided by the Architect and quotes are being obtained. However, it was felt that the stone suggested, is very costly and cheaper alternatives could be used. As yet, we do not have any formal quotes; therefore we will wait for those to come through, to make a decision, as what action to take. The beacon is now complete and possible sites are to be considered on the Newport Drive Playing Field.

Recommendation: Cllrs J. Kemp to meet with Cllrs Johnson and Langton to look at potential areas to site the beacon.

Recommendation: The committee recommends asking Mr Fletcher to make a circular plaque to be set into the concrete plinth in memory of Cllr Fran Fletcher.

1805/4

Recycling water in our buildings

The clerk reported on a company who will come out to visit your business and offer free advice on how recycle rain water or grey water.

Recommendation: The committee recommends the Council invites the company to visit their properties and action a

report on what methods the council could adopt and the costs involved.

- 1805/5 To review Grit Bin Locations
Cllr P. Mumby declared an interest as a member of the Winter Care Campaign Group (WCCG).
The committee discussed the current locations of the bins and the areas the bins cover. It was agreed the bins should be in locations identified as requiring additional gritting on the road or path but not for use at private dwellings. The committee asked for a map of the town with the location of the grit bins highlighted on the maps for further reference.
Recommendation: The committee recommends that the Council applies for the three free grit bins available through NLC.
- 1805/6 Update on Finger Post restoration
No update available.
Recommendation: The committee recommends the Clerk follows up this matter with our Ward Officer.
- 1805/7 Agenda for next and future meeting
The committee asked for the following items to be placed on the agenda for the next meeting:
- A review of Grit Bin locations (Committee members to be provided with a map, detailing current locations)
- The committee agreed to meet informally to visit all properties/locations prior to the next meeting of the committee.
- 1805/8 Next Meeting
The date and time of the next Property Meeting was confirmed as (subject to any change in circumstances).

7.00pm on 3rd September, 2018

At 52 West Street, Winterton

The committee would like to schedule an additional meeting, to be held in July, date to be confirmed.