



Howden Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities Committee meeting held on Tuesday August 1st 2023 at 6.30pm at the Town Council Offices, 17 Bridgegate, Howden.

Present: Councillors Drury (Chair), Perkins, Brett, Cave, Roberts. Hart

Clerk: S Boggitt

2023-41-AM: Apologies for absence – to receive and accept.

None. (Non-attendance Councillor Howard)

2023-42-AM: Declaration of Interest –

2023-42.1-AM Declarations of Interests, in respect to Agenda items, to be made and recorded in the minutes even if an interest has been declared in the register.

None.

2023-42.2-AM For the Council to note any dispensations presented to the Clerk prior to the meeting and their resolution.

None.

2023-43-AM: Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday June 6th 2023 – to agree and approve as a true record.

The minutes of the meeting held Tuesday June 6th 2023 were agreed and approved as a true record.

2023-44-AM: Derwent Park. To receive an update from the Clerk and make any recommendations to Council. To receive annual Play Inspection Report and agree any actions.

The Clerk reported Councillor Roberts had repaired the broken gate and was awaiting drier weather conditions to fix the astroturf. Committee received the annual Play Inspection Report – as all actions were low or very low risk it was agreed to undertake a committee site visit in the Spring to check for any deteriorations. Was also agreed to look at new bins on site and budget in for next year.

2023-45-AM: Howden Marsh LNR. To receive an update from the Clerk and agree any actions and to discuss storage options on the Marsh requested by Councillor Drury and agree any actions.

Councillor Roberts reported a lot of work had been undertaken with Friends of Howden Marsh facilitating the relaying of the path from the Marsh to Selby Road. Paths and hedges have been cut and some overhanging brambles have been cut back. A site walk had taken place between the Clerk and members of the Ashes Trust before the Howden 5/10k which will feature the Marsh in the route. Councillor Roberts noted more tree works and pond works would be needed over the winter. He also reported a deer has been seen on the Marsh so works have been undertaken to protect the fruit trees, though two trees have not survived so will need to purchase more in the future. He also reported he had been able to use some equipment loaned from the Drainage Board and had cut all the meadow area.



Committee discussed storage options on the Marsh as an alternative to the Old Fire Station. Agreed to look again at the next meeting.

2023-46-AM: Roadsweeper Requirements. To approve Clerk's request to hold a working party meeting between Councillors and the current roadsweeper before taking back to Committee.

Agreed to form a working party to discuss requirements and bring back to Committee for discussion and approval.

2023-47-AM: Project Loo. To receive an update from the Clerk and make any recommendations to Council.

The Clerk reported the site was fully operational since July 19th. Agreed to leave a sheet in the facility to ask people to note the date and time they had used the building to monitor usage. (NB not to request any names just dates and times). Also to ask the cleaning contractors how they think it is being used.

2023-48-AM: Site Safety Sheets. To receive a report from the Clerk and make any recommendations.

The Clerk reminded members of the importance of the sheets and thanked members for their co-operation.

2023-49-AM: Correspondence.

None.

2023-50-AM: Items for Next Agenda.

Standing Items; Roadsweeper Requirements.

2023-51-AM: Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday October 10th 2023 at 6.30pm.

The meeting closed at 7.05pm.