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Minutes of the meeting of the Estate Management Committee held on Tuesday 22nd June 2021 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr's V Chesser, I Clark, P Davis & L Holland.

Minutes: Lisa Allan – Estates Officer

EM21.27 Apologies for Absence – Cllr P King
The apologies were accepted.

EM21.28 Declarations of Interests.

To receive and consider any declarations of interest from Members under Section 50 of the Local Government Act 2000 (*Standing Order 13*)
(This requirement applies only in respect of matters, which are to be considered by the Committee at this meeting.)

EM21.28.01 To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests - none.

EM21.28.02 To declare any Other Interest -
Cllr Clark is a resident of St Peter's Road.

Cllr Davies is associated with Oundle Rugby Football Club.

EM21.29 Representations from Interested Parties – None.

A period of no longer than 10 minutes will be allocated for members of the public to address the meeting about items on this agenda at the **Chairman's discretion.**
(*Standing Order 3e and 3f*).

EM21.30 Minutes of the Previous Meeting – Estate Management Committee.

To approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on **25th May 2021.**

Proposed: Cllr Chesser

Seconded: Cllr Clark

Agreed: All in favour

EM21.31 Reports.

EM21.31.01 To receive income/expenditure report for OTC's properties & open Spaces – received.

Cllr Chesser requested further information on what budget categories Professional/membership fees and Subs/conference fees included. EO to obtain information from the Finance Officer.

EM21.31.02 To receive progress update report for OTC's properties & open Spaces – received.

EM21.32 The Hub – Update received.

It was decided that a more pro-active approach was necessary in order to formulate

a workable plan for The Hub space. It was decided a working party be formed to move this forward. Cllr's Holland and Chesser to liaise with The Clerk with September being the goal for some sort of community space/refreshment stop to go live.

EM21.33 Rugby Club – Update received.

EM21.34 Fletton House – Update report received.

To consider Oundle Baptist Church's request for a suitable space for their community activities and decide next steps.

The Council would like to assist OBC with their request and it was decided Cllr's Holland and Chesser would contact OBC to begin discussions. It was decided that no definite plans could be agreed with OBC until plans for the Hub space are finalised.

EM21.35 QVH – Update received.

EM21.36 Courthouse – Update received.

EM21.37 Carpark and toilets – Update received.

EM21.38 Recreation Ground/Skatepark/Basketball Court – Update received.

EM21.38.01 - To approve costs for the repair of the zip wire.

The costs were approved.

Proposed: Cllr Clark **Seconded:** Cllr Chesser **Agreed:** All in favour

EM21.38.02 – Progress update on the skatepark and discuss suggestion of incorporating a simple pump track in the scheme – update received. EO and Cllr Clark arranging various meetings with potential contractors and obtaining ideas and quotes.

EM21.38.03 – Basketball Court – discuss fencing suggestion again and decide next steps. EO obtaining various quotes. It was also decided to approach RPM, the contractor repairing the zip wire, for ideas and prices on basketball surface and fenced area around the target zone.

EM21.39 Properties and Open Spaces – Update received.

EM21.39.01 – To discuss the properties and open spaces tour and decide a suitable date for the inspection. Agree to use this inspection tour to map out and decide locations for new signage.

It was decided the P&OS Tour would take place on the 21st July starting at 2pm. During the tour the locations of the new signage would be discussed and finalised. EO to provide a map of all areas to be visited.

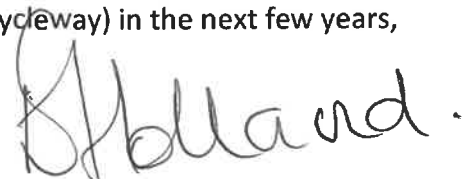
Proposed: Cllr Clark **Seconded:** Cllr Chesser **Agreed:** All in favour

EM21.39.02 - OTC Green Spaces and Wildflower Programme - To receive update and feedback on resident's suggestion of 'wilding' from Cllr Clark. Discuss and approve suggestions for moving this project forward.

It was agreed that potential areas for this initiative would be considered during the P&OS Tour.

EM21.39.03 – Benches – receive reply from NNC regarding possible relocation or removal of the bench on Glaphorn Road and decide next steps. Reply received.

In view of potential future development in this area (cycleway) in the next few years,



it was decided to defer this decision until more is known about these plans.

EM21.40. Trees

EM21.40.01 – To consider the offer of 3 horse chestnut saplings and discuss potential locations for planting within OTC's P&OS. Decide next steps.

EM21.40.02 – Discuss the Queens Green Canopy and decide next steps.

It was decided that potential locations for tree planting would be considered during the P&OS's Tour on the 21st July.

Clr Chesser suggested a recommendation go to Full Council that OTC approach NNC to request they gift Fletton Field to OTC for the Queens Jubilee and tree planting could be incorporated in a celebratory opening event.

EM21.41 Projects

Workshop – NTR

EM21.42 EV Charging Points – Update received.

EM21.43 St Peter's Church – Update received.

Repairs to North Street damaged wall have been approved, still awaiting dates and contractor details from insurance company.

EO obtaining a quote for all of the boundary walls of the churchyard to have a thorough survey.

Update on the damaged North Street section of wall to go out on social media.

EM21.44 Oundle Cemetery – Update received.

EM21.45 Joan Strong Centre – NTR

EM21.46 Markets – Update received.

EM21.47 Town Events – Update received.

EM21.48 To receive May Action plan and progress update – received.

EM21.49 Any Other Business for report only - None.

Meeting ended 8.47 pm

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ESTATE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING (27th July 2021) is: Thursday 22nd July 2021 - 12 noon.

Holland.
3.8.21.