Crowle & Ealand Town Council

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Minutes of the **Full Council Meeting** of Crowle and Ealand Town Council held at Crowle Cemetery, moving to the Community Hub, Crowle on **9 October 2018**.

Present: Cllr D Middleton (Chair), Cllr A Rayment (Deputy), Cllr N Arrand, Cllr M Bailey, Cllr R Pender, Cllr J Ramsden, Cllr J Reed

Apologies: Cllr J Dunn, Cllr I Mason, Cllr H Osborne

Officers Present: Kirsty Dunn, (Town Clerk), Vicky Maw (RFO)

Members of the Public: 5

Press Present: None

The Full Council Meeting began at 19.00

234/18 Declaration of Interest: To note any declarations of interest made by Councillors in respect of items on this meeting's Agenda (in accordance with the Council's Model Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011). Nil

235/18 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 11 September 2018:

Resolved to be approved as a true record. Proposed Cllr N Arrand, seconded Cllr M Bailey. Carried

236/18 Scarecrow Competition Presentations

Cllr D Middleton thanked the scarecrow competition winners for their efforts and attendance. Cheques were presented to the prizewinners; 1st place St Oswald's Church-£75. 2nd place Mrs L Turner - £50. 3rd place Miss J Dunn - £25. All winners left the meeting after the prize giving.

237/18 Playground Repairs

Mr Andy Brown LUDUS Leisure was invited to speak. After introductions and confirmation of background and experience, Mr Brown went into detail about the surfacing costed in his quote. He explained that due to existing surfacing and its safety failings that the sand carpeting quoted for was the 'Rolls Royce' of surfacing to best suit this council's needs. He made comparative options; cheaper surfacing v life span and maintenance and explained that the sand matting was the most durable and cost effective in the long term, requiring at most a sand 'top-up' as way of maintenance which would be guaranteed for a 7 year period. Ealand Park already has rubber matting in situ which can be utilised as a base for the carpet and reduces the cost of the product. Manor Park has no such base, therefore requiring a full installation, hence the cost. Concerns were abated once again with reference to the matting at West Butterwick. Sun bleaching and heavy footfalls areas appear less visually appealing but have no detriment to the safety of the product. It was also confirmed that no additional cost will arise and the parks will not need to be closed during the repair phase as the contractors can work in restricted areas. Work can commence in 3 weeks.

Mr Brown was again thanked for his attendance and update and asked to leave the meeting at 1921 hrs to allow council to discuss the matter.

It was resolved that due to the constant chasing by the RFO of other contractors to no avail, and LUDUS being the only tender received that council should move forward with this company. Proposed to accept LUDUS Leisure by Cllr R Pender, seconded Cllr A Rayment and unanimously carried.

238/18 Mayors Report

School Fence. After further inspection and consultation with the school it was explained that the small breach in the school fence would be repaired by the council. Cllr J Reed made known that new panels left over from a previous job were available to carry out the repair and George would install. The school have been asked to deal with any issues pertaining to the trees behind the fence on their side.

239/18 Clerks Report

- a. Surgery Cover: confirmed surgery Cllr R Pender Sat 13th Oct 18. Cllr's N Arrand and M Bailey will cover Sat 10 Nov 18.
- b. Clearance given to the clerk to retain the duty mobile whilst on holiday.

240/18 Action Plan

6. Cllr A Rayment has contacted Mario Garzi at NL College regarding the music students provided entertainment at Crowle market. Market dates for 2019 were requested. Clerk to forward.

241/18 Finance

- a. To receive and resolve accounts for payment Proposed Cllr N Arrand, seconded Cllr J Ramsden. Carried.
- b. To receive and resolve bank reconciliation Proposed Cllr M Bailey, seconded Cllr N Arrand. Carried.
- c. Viewed and acknowledged.

242/18 Christmas Lights

The Christmas Lights committee request a letter from C&ETC and a copy of the liability insurance in order to display the lights. This was approved and the clerk id to action the letter.

243/18 Headstones Tenders - Blind Quotes

One quote was returned for the headstone repair and opened. Tender bid:

Samuel Jacob Memorials. Quote per headstone: £267. Overall quote: £1335

After much chasing of other tenders to no avail, it was agreed to go forward with the above company. Proposed to accept Cllr M Bailey, seconded Cllr N Arrand and unanimously carried. A further proposal by Cllr J Ramsden that all further works be only sought by NAMM qualified masons. Seconded by Cllr J Reed and unanimously carried. Clerk is to inform the successful tender and request works be carried out.

244/18 Cemeteries Policy

Epworth cemeteries policy was reviewed as a guide to developing a C&ETC cemeteries policy. It was agreed that the clerk would adopt elements of this policy to create a policy pertinent to this council. Proposed by Cllr J Ramsden, seconded by Cllr M Bailey and carried.

245/18 St Oswald's Sign

Cllr J reed had spoken with Highways and confirmed that this is not normal practice. An application should be submitted and see if NLC grant.

246/18 Planning

No observations.

Signature: Original signed document
on file
Date: