

CITY OF ELY COUNCIL STREET FURNITURE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY 19TH AUGUST 2013

PRESENT:

Cllr. Elaine Griffin-Singh Cllr. Nigel Clarke Cllr. Alison Arnold Cllr. Mike Rouse

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr. Mackay and Cllr. Every.

2. REQUEST INTENTION OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE WHO WISH TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM- as per standing order 83b).

No intentions were received.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (20th MAY 2013) & MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 20th May 2013 were agreed and signed as a true record – pages STL 155 & 156 refer.

Matters arising – Page 155, item 6 - Cllr. Arnold reported that a meeting had been arranged with the resident at Merrivale Way but unfortunately, the resident did not keep the appointment. Cllr. Arnold and Cllr. Rouse have inspected the area on two occasions and have found the area to be clean and in no need of a dog bin at this time. Matters arising – Page 156, item 9 - The notice board requested by Prickwillow Village Council has been delivered and installed.

4. BUDGET UPDATE

Members noted the budget update, dated 13th August 2013. There were no significant variances.

5. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The draft aims and objectives for the Street Furniture Committee, as attached to these notes, set out by Cllr. Arnold and Cllr. Mackay were agreed by members present.

6. DOG BIN REQUEST-UPDATE

It has been brought to our attention by ECDC that the dog bin at Upherds Lane has gone missing. There is some confusion as to whether this was a newly installed bin as it was previously agreed that a replacement bin would be installed at this location. It was agreed that Cllr. Arnold would investigate this further and decide as to whether a replacement should be installed.

7. SITING OF THE BEACON

An agreement between the City of Ely Council and Cllr. Tyrrell has been drawn up. This needs to be signed imminently if the beacon is to be transferred to Cathedral Marina. The Committee are concerned that the beacon needs to be removed from the Cathedral as soon as possible so it was agreed that it should be removed and put into storage temporarily if transfer to the Marina cannot be arranged.

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8. RIVERSIDE SIGNAGE

With reference to the proposed "Welcome to Ely" signs for the river, ownership of the bridges has now been established. Network Rail and Cambridgeshire County Council have been contacted to request permission to erect signs on their property. The Highways Department of Cambridgeshire County Council have agreed in principle but would like to see the proposed sign and a plan of how the sign would be erected. Network Rail is still dealing with our enquiry. It was agreed that some research into the types of signs available and costings would be researched.

9.BUS SHELTER REQUEST FOR KING'S AVENUE - UPDATE

Two hard-standing bases for bus shelters have been laid by Cambridgeshire County Council. The City of Ely Council had previously agreed that they would not consider purchasing bus shelters for this area until the future of the bus service was certain. It was suggested by Cllr. Griffin-Singh that the Committee should write to the developer to request that they consider installing the bus shelters.

10. REQUEST FOR BUS SHELTER SEAT

A request has been received for a seat to be installed in the bus shelter on Station Road. Due to the potential redevelopment of this area, it was agreed that a seat would not be purchased at this time, but would be considered if the area was re-developed in the future.

11. WITCHFORD ROAD BUS SHELTER - UPDATE

A claim with the Small Claims Court has been made against the company that has been paid to supply the bus shelter, as a result of an unsatisfactory service and non-delivery and installation of the bus shelter. The company has now contacted the City of Ely Council and has proposed to deliver and install the bus shelter on Thursday, 22nd August 2013. The claim against them will stand until the shelter has been successfully delivered. It was agreed by the Committee that the cost of lodging the claim should be deducted from the delivery payment.

12. A.O.B.

Cllr. Arnold questioned why the footpath behind Merrivale Way, towards Thistle Corner has not been completed. Cllr. Rouse agreed to investigate this with ECDC and report back at the next meeting.

Cllr. Griffin-Singh has been approached by the owner of 3At3 on Three Cups Walk, asking if it would be possible to move the grit bin to the top of the hill as when it is icy it is difficult to access it. As this is not owned by the City of Ely Council, Cambridgeshire County Council should be contacted regarding this.

Cllr. Rouse enquired as to the outcome of the Street Furniture audit undertaken by Cllr. Griffin-Singh and Dist. Cllr. Bailey. Cllr Griffin-Singh reported that this was in the hands of Dist. Cllr. Bailey and would check with her for an update.

13. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

The date of the next meeting was set for 12th November 2013.

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