



**CITY OF ELY COUNCIL  
STREET FURNITURE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM  
ON MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011**

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**PRESENT:**

Cllr. Elaine Griffin-Singh      Cllr. Will Burton      Cllr. Nigel Clarke      Cllr. Mike Rouse  
Cllr. Anthony Winchester      Cllr. Alison Arnold      Cllr. Roy Wood

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr. John Yates and Cllr. Philip Eden.

**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 (11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2011) & MATTERS ARISING**

The minutes of the last meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> July 2011 were agreed and signed as a true record. Pages STL 135, 136 & 137 refer.

**4. BUDGET UPDATE & BUDGET SETTING FOR 2012/13**

Members noted the budget update dated 12<sup>th</sup> September 2011. There were no significant variances. The budget for 2012/13 was agreed as per attached sheet to these minutes.

**5. DOG & LITTER BIN AUDIT WORKING GROUP-UPDATE**

Cllr. Burton reported that he has completed the bench audit and that the work he is carrying out on the dog/litter bin audit should be completed before the next meeting. Cllr. Wood volunteered to help the working group and was appointed on to this.

**6. BENCHES AUDIT**

Cllr. Griffin-Singh had previously proposed an idea to introduce a scheme for local residents and businesses to sponsor the installation of a bench in and around Ely. The application form and fees were reviewed by the Committee and subject to a few minor changes, were agreed. It was noted that the benches could be sponsored as a dedication or a commemoration as well as in memoriam of someone.

**7. OUTDOOR EATING & DRINKING ARRANGEMENTS**

A meeting with local Police, East Cambs District Council (ECDC) and Cambs County Council (CCC) was held on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2011 to discuss this further. A memorandum of understanding was drawn up but the legal impediments have still not been resolved. Cllr. Griffin-Singh reported that the complete delegation process would take approximately 12 months.

**8. SCHOOL CROSSING AT SPRING MEADOW**

Cllr. Griffin-Singh reported that she had recently met with the Spring Meadow Road Safety Group. The group has identified that installing a belisha beacon would be their priority but slow down signs and the re-locating of "school" signs would improve road safety in this area. Funding for a crossing patrol person is still available for this area and also for Downham Road but CCC has not been able to recruit for either position.

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### **9. REQUESTS FOR NOTICE BOARDS IN THE CITY CENTRE**

After seeking advice from ECDC, it was decided by the Committee that it would not be practical to erect a notice board for residents use in the city centre. However, it was suggested that the Committee would write to the library and ask if they would consider moving their community notice boards to a more prominent position or if they would consider displaying notices, possibly in suspended holders, in the windows on the ground floor.

### **10. WASTE CENTRE AT JUBILEE GARDENS**

Cllr Griffin-Singh had previously proposed that a “waste centre” to house bins should be built in Jubilee Gardens to improve the appearance of them. ECDC have reported that a brick built centre will not be erected but instead will plant a hedge.

### **11. GRIT BINS**

After receiving a communication from CCC regarding the installation of grit bins, the Committee decided that their grit bin policy would remain the same but would review as and when necessary.

### **12. REQUEST FOR A BUS SHELTER AT A142 ROUNDABOUT**

A request for a bus shelter to be installed at the bus stop at the A142 roundabout at Lancaster Way has been received. After discussing the options, it was decided that Grovemere Property Ltd would be contacted to find out if they would be interested in sponsoring a bus shelter, due to the close proximity of the bus stop to their industrial site and the people employed on this site that use the bus stop.

### **13. A.O.B.**

Cllr Griffin-Singh proposed that the Committee should request a copy of ECDC’s policy for the replacement of old or broken dog bins. It is believed that these bins are being replaced with multi-use litter bins which dog owners can also use.

Date of next meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

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