

FILEY TOWN COUNCIL

PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 24 JULY 2014 AT 11.00AM

Present: Cllr E Holden (Chair), Cllr J Casey, Cllr J Meek, Cllr J Shackleton
Cllr R Walker (Vice Chair)
Mr K Leathley, Health & Safety Risk Advisor
Clerk – Mrs G Robinson
Borough Cllr M Cockerill (Committee meeting only)

Prior to the meeting all the above members of the Property Committee had attended a site visit to the Lawns Cemetery and had met with contractors, Advanced Trees and Grounds.

Cllr E Holden, Chairman welcomed Borough Cllr M Cockerill and everyone to the meeting and also thanked them for attending the above site visit.

NOTICE OF THE MEETING

RESOLVED: That Public Notice of the meeting had been given in accordance with Schedule 12, para 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972. 547/014

APOLOGIES

Cllr D Glanvill had sent her apologies for not being able to attend the site visit and the meeting due to ill-health. It was:

RESOLVED: That Cllr D Glanvill's apologies be accepted. 548/014

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman reminded members of the need to consider whether they needed to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) or personal interest as detailed in Appendix A and Appendix B of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and reminded Members that they could make a declaration of interest at any point in the meeting.

Cllr R Walker declared a personal interest in agenda item 4 as his wife is a member of the Parochial Church Council.

It was

RESOLVED: That Cllr R Walker's personal declarations of interest be noted. 549/014

ST OSWALD'S CHURCHYARD

Members had previously been circulated with a copy of a letter from the Ministry of Justice's Coroners, Burial, Cremation and Inquiries Team informing the Parochial Church Council that they had received no objections to the proposed closure of St Oswald's Church following advertisement and would now proceed to progress this application to discontinue burials and would inform both Filey Town Council and Scarborough Borough Council when the closure order has been made. It was

RESOLVED: That the above information be noted. 550/014

LAWNS CEMETERY

Cemetery Annual Inspection Site Visit

Members had visited the Lawns Cemetery and undertaken an annual inspection prior to the meeting. Members were shown how the store had been broken into recently and the new security arrangements now in place. It was agreed that it was not necessary to purchase a new water pump which had been damaged during the break in and the contractor was instructed to hire one if necessary. It was noted that the guttering needed to be attended to and the contractor had been requested to attend to this as soon as possible. It was agreed that the old shoring equipment should remain for the present time. The Clerk was requested to obtain quotations for a new wooden fence on the western boundary of the cemetery. Members noted that the cemetery grounds were kept in very good order by the contractor and Mr Leathley stated that members should feel very proud of the way in which the cemetery was kept and managed. It was

RESOLVED: That the above information be noted. 551/014

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Cemetery Overspill Land

Members had previously requested to make a revision to the Model Agreement between Scarborough Borough Council and Filey Town Council to take over responsibility for the cemetery overspill land. Borough Cllr M Cockerill stated that due to the efficiencies which the Borough Council were having to make this would not be possible but the Borough Council were prepared to make a one off payment of £1,410 plus VAT and this funding could be used by the Town Council in whatever way it chooses to maintain the cemetery overspill land, but the land would still remain in the ownership of the Borough Council. The Clerk advised that some formal agreement would need to be drawn up between both parties and requested that any underspend in the Model Agreement cemetery budget be placed in an earmarked reserve for the setting up and creation of extending the cemetery into the overspill land which would require substantial expenditure. After much discussion it was

RESOLVED: That a recommendation be made to the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee to accept the Borough Council's offer 'in principle' of £1,410 plus VAT as a one off payment for grounds maintenance of the cemetery overspill land at the rear of the Lawns Cemetery with a proviso that a formal agreement is drawn up between both councils to designate that Filey Town Council will be responsible for the land to be used for the setting up and creation of extending the Lawns Cemetery. 552/014

RESOLVED: That a recommendation be made to the next meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Committee to make a request to the Borough Council to permit any underspend in the Cemetery Model Agreement budget be placed in a Town Council 'Lawns Cemetery' earmarked reserve for the setting up and creation of extending the cemetery over the next few years. 553/014

Borough Cllr M Cockerill left the meeting at 11.25am

RESOLVED: That Mr N Edwards, SBC Director of Business Support be invited to a Property Committee meeting to discuss all implications of a formal agreement for the cemetery overspill land between the two councils. 554/014

PROPERTY UPDATE

Filey Tourism Notice Board

The Clerk reported that confirmation had been received from Yorkshire Coast Homes to make a contribution of £500 towards a replacement Notice Board and arrangements would be made to order the new board. It was

RESOLVED: That the above information be noted. 555/014

The meeting closed at 12.05pm

Councillor E Holden
Chairman
Property Committee