

Eastwood Town Council

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTWOOD TOWN COUNCIL Assets, Policy and Finance Committee

Thursday 30th November 2023 at 6.00 p.m.

Present: Cllr D. Bagshaw, M. Bullock, R. Bullock, M. Radulovic & K. Woodhead. S. Trower (Town Clerk)

AFP36/24 To Receive Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S. Bagshaw, Mrs. Z. Battison & K. Oliver.

AFP37/24 Declarations of Members Interests recorded in the Records Book

Cllrs D. Bagshaw, R. Bullock & K. Woodhead declared non-pecuniary interests in item 5 Allotments Report.

AFP38/24 Variation of Order of Business None.

AFP39/24 To determine which additional items on any part of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

Resolved: -

That the following items considered under Exclusion of Public Order

- a) War Memorials report and quotations as circulated.
- b) Telephone and internet connection at Town Council Offices
- c) Annual rental increases leasehold premises.
- d) Garden Service 2024
- e) Mayor's Honours Board for Civic Chamber
- f) Funding application from Broxtowe Borough Council for Funday 2024 & Christmas Event 2024 g) Premises Emergency Evacuation Plan

AFP40/24 Minutes of Committee Meeting held 28th September 2023 proposed Cllr D. Bagshaw, seconded Cllr K. Woodhead

Resolved: - that Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 28th September 2023 approved.

AFP41/24 Allotments Report (Cllr R. Bullock)

- a) Allotment Tenancy Agreement 2024 2025 (i) Confirmation plots to be identified as average size (ii) reference to livestock applications all subject to Council consideration under the terms of the laws and regulations for Allotments (iii) Bonfires reference currently prohibited on both sites (iv) Variation to tenants occupying more than one plot. (v) Recommendation an increase to £50.00 per plot or £25.00 half plot applied from January 2025 serving one year's statutory notice to tenants from December 2023. (vi) Tenancy agreements to be signed by tenants and returned to office in January 2024.
- b) Oak Tree on Derby Road Allotment Site subject of an insurance claim for alleged damage to residential property.

Proposed Cllr R. Bullock, seconded Cllr M. Radulovic

Resolved: -

i. With reference to (a) that matters approved for the revised regulations subject to referral to next full Council meeting for consideration of (iii) bonfires on the sites currently prohibited to be reviewed.

- ii. Derby Road Allotment Gardens that referral to Broxtowe Borough Council Planning Authority for planning history and mitigation measures incorporated during construction to account for the proximity of the Oak tree and any potential effects on construction.
- iii. That a TPO application submitted to the Local Authority for consideration of trees within the boundary of the allotment site on Derby Road, Eastwood.

AFP42/33 Report on The Canyons, Walker Street, Eastwood land acquisition subject to agreement

Cllr D. Bagshaw addressed the meeting with a summary of the statement of interest expressed by Eastwood Town Council to secure land known as The Canyons for protection as a public open space, subject to agreement with landowners. Information was conveyed on the discussions held with landowners. Discussions were held on future protection of the site to include environmental works required to ensure the site was maintained adequately for wildlife and use by the public as a green lung area within the town.

Proposed Cllr R. Bullock, seconded Cllr M. Radulovic

Resolved: -

- a) Cllr D. Bagshaw nominated to liaise with the landowners on behalf of the Town Council to secure the site to provide an environmental area of historical significance to the town. Unanimous.
- b) Appointment of lawyers to represent the Town Council for preparation of legal documentation for discussion at future meeting. Unanimous.

AFP43/24 To review budget requirements 2024 – 2025.

Resolved-

A budget draft approved for presentation to the next full Council meeting for consideration.

AFP44/24 Exclusion of Public Order

The Committee considered to exclude the public and press from the meeting on agenda item 9 as they contain exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Resolved: - Approved.

AFP45/24 To consider quotations for Eastwood Town Council as attached report: -

- a) War Memorials report and quotations.
- b) Telephone and internet connections at Eastwood Town Council Offices
- c) To consider application to apply annual increases to lease premises at 120 Nottingham Road, Eastwood
- d) To consider Garden Service 2024
- e) To consider installation of Mayor's Honours Board for Civic Chamber and quotation
- f) To consider quotation to provide Eastwood Christmas Event 2024 and Funday 2024
- g) Eastwood Town Council Emergency Evacuation Plan update

AFP46/24 Dates of Next Meeting

Resolved: - the next meeting date to be agreed.

The Meeting closed at 19.57 p.m.