

EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL RECREATION & OPEN SPACES
COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD VIA WEBEX ON
16TH NOVEMBER 2020

Present: Councillors K. Osborne (Chair), P. Nottage, N. Madden, F. Johnston-Banks, K. Butcher, R. Varney, A. Gledhill

Co-opted: C. Jackson

Clerk: J. Bentley

In attendance: Councillors C. Barnes, S. Shepherd

1.	Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Fletcher.
2.	Adjourn meeting for up to 15 minutes. There was one member of the public present who left the meeting at this point, therefore no questions were asked.
3.	Clerks Progress Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The owners of 54 Uppleby have agreed to proceed with the removal of the willow tree at their own expense. • The slide and cable runway at the Memorial Park have been repaired. • Work will commence in the next few weeks on tree maintenance at Mallison Woods. • Tree & Conifer Removal have completed work on 61 trees on the Claypenny Estate.
4.	4.1. It was AGREED to request two further quotes to make an informed decision regarding the feasibility of the future management of Millfields woods. 4.2. It was AGREED to suspend the mole eradication programme and to monitor the mole activity. 4.3 It was AGREED that Councillors Butcher, Osborne, Nottage, Johnston-Banks and the Clerk form a working group to develop the map with the designer. The cost of design at £41.00 per hour, with approximately 3 hour's work was approved, up to £200.00 including printing.
5.	An update was received from Councillor Madden on the Memorial Park Working Group. It was AGREED that Councillor Shepherd would contact the original artist regarding the existing sculpture. It was AGREED that grasscrete should be added to the area surrounding the roundabout so that disabled access is safe from all points once the roundabout has been installed. Costs for items 1-5 were approved (see appendix 1). Item 6 has already been approved. Councillor Barnes has arranged a site visit with a builder to obtain quotes for the repointing and repair of the boundary wall and will create a plan. It was AGREED that Councillor Butcher should co-ordinate with the Miscellaneous Works Contractor to remove the ivy from the wall. It was AGREED that the swings should be incorporated into the budget for next year.
6.	6.1. Two quotes were received to remove a dead branch from the Willow Tree on Rowan Avenue and it was AGREED to accept Top Cut Tree Services' quote for £15.00 plus VAT. 6.2. Two quotes were received to remove the epicormic growth on the lime trees on Uppleby on a regular basis and it was AGREED to accept Top Cut Tree Services' quote for £300.00 plus VAT.

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	<p>6.3. An email was received from a resident concerning trees in Mallison Hill woods and it was AGREED to fell the boundary trees but to stipulate a maximum distance of 2.5 metres from the boundary, subject to consultation with individual households.</p> <p>6.4. Two quotes were received for a crown lift on two oak trees in Millfields Park and it was AGREED to accept Top Cut Tree Services' quote of £40.00 plus VAT.</p> <p>6.5 Two quotes were received to remove dead branches from the tree at the entrance to the Memorial Park and it was AGREED to accept Top Cut Tree Services' quote for removing the dead branches for £250.00 plus VAT plus £250 plus VAT to eliminate the ivy therefore a total sum of £500.00 plus VAT.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Budget</p> <p>7.1 The financial position at the 31st October was noted and no virements were considered necessary.</p> <p>7.2 Budget requirements to consider for financial year 2021/22 include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Shelter next to the Skate Park • Friendship Garden (possibly FY 2020/21). It was AGREED that the Clerk should investigate the S106 allocation. • Dog exercise area • Potential trim trail • Management plan for drainage, dredging of wetland and rough cuts • Bike track. • Potential cost of lights for lit jogging track • Memorial Park refurbishment • Tree planting • Information sign for the wetlands • Mallison Hill woods • Millfields woods (potentially) • Additional picnic tables and seating in Millfields and a picnic table or bench at the top of Mallison Hill. • Looking after all the path edgings of Jacko's Way • Wildflower border • Annual action plan for maintenance
<p>8.</p>	<p>The next meeting will be on 15th February 2021 at 7.30pm or on the rising of the Planning Committee</p>

The meeting closed at 20.21