MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL ON 6th SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.00PM, THE LOUNGE, GALTRES CENTRE

Present: Councillors: P. Nottage (Chairman), C. Barnes (Vice-Chairman), N. Madden, K. Butcher, A Gledhill,

C. Fletcher, K Osborne, S. Shepherd, R. Tanfield, R. Varney, F. Johnston-Banks

Members of the public: C. Fletcher, C. Jackson

Clerk: J. Fairbrother

21/102 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

To resolve to adjourn the meeting for up to 15 minutes to take questions or comments and representations through the Chairman in respect of the business on the agenda.

No questions or comments were raised and it was agreed that the two members of the public present, who are both members of the Millfields Vision Working Group, should take part in the general discussions.

21/104 MINUTES

To receive and approve the minutes of the Council meeting of 17th August 2021.

The minutes were received and approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

21/105 MILLFIELDS CONSULTATION

To review the content, materials and timings of the consultation and resolve the way forward.

The Chairman began by summarizing the main issues which needed to be decided on before the consultation could go ahead. It was agreed that the materials provided by the Town Council for the consultation need to be as clear and realistic as possible to enable the public to make informed choices when completing the survey.

<u>Lights:</u> The term "directional floodlighting" will be used to describe the column lighting. The total number of columns and bollards needs to be clear. The most accurate images possible of how the fittings will look and how bright they will be in comparison to the existing streetlights on the footpath will be provided. Further clarification is needed to explain that if bollards are used, two additional columns would be needed to light up the Skate Park. As well as that, floodlights would need be added to 3 of the existing streetlights to illuminate the jogging/walking path.

It was agreed by a vote that the lights should be on consistently from dusk to 9pm and from 7am until dawn to allow people to exercise in the evenings and early morning during winter months. The running costs will be included in the Q and A sheet. The map circulated by Cllr Nottage will be amended so small items such as waste bins and benches will be taken off to improve clarity/relativity. Councillor Osborne will liaise with the map designer.

<u>Trim trails/exercise clusters</u>: The images displayed would be indicative of the kind of equipment available. There would be three clusters of three or four pieces of equipment spaced around the jogging/walking path. The cluster nearest the main footpath would include pieces suitable for people with disabilities.

If the column option of lighting was chosen, the clusters could be lit, if the bollard option was chosen they would be unlit.

It was decided by a vote not to include a question asking if the participant would use the exercise machines themselves.

<u>Bike track</u>: The consultation should show where the bike track would be and state that a design would follow if it was decided to go ahead.

Dog exercise area:

The map should show where the dog exercise area would be and the size, along with images of equipment.

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Councillor Nottage will make amendments to the documentation including the Q and A sheet to reflect the points agreed and circulate it by email.

<u>Dates</u>: It was agreed to stay with the consultation dates if possible.

The meeting finished at 20.47