

**EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES**  
**COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN THE GALTRES CENTRE ON**  
**16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022**

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

**In attendance:** Councillors C. Barnes, S. Shepherd

**Co-opted:** C. Jackson

**Clerk:** Mrs J Bentley

<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b> There were no apologies since all members of the committee were present.
<b>2.</b>	There were no members of the public present therefore the meeting was not adjourned.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Clerk's Progress Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The wildflower border has been sprayed</li> <li>• The dyke alongside the permissive route has been fully cleared</li> <li>• The bench has been ordered for the Skate Park on behalf of the Youth Council</li> <li>• The ivy has been removed from the trees in the Memorial Park</li> <li>• The Memorial Park working group met to inspect the equipment</li> <li>• An email was sent to the member of the public regarding the fence on Woodside Close/Mallison Hill Woods on 9<sup>th</sup> March</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Memorial Park</b> 4.1 An update was received from the Memorial Park Working Group and the quote for £350 from Crayke Plant Nursery to design the Memorial garden was agreed. 4.2 One quote for tree works was received and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to defer this item to the next full council meeting in order to obtain further quotes. 4.3 The tunnel repairs in the Memorial Park were repaired under emergency procedures since the equipment was deemed a high risk in the recent playground inspections.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Trees</b> 5.1 An email was received from a member of the public regarding the trees in Tower Croft and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to refuse the request. 5.2 An email was received from Councillor Shepherd regarding i) a Covid memorial tree and ii) a commemorative plaque for the tree in the market place. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> i) to name the new garden in the Memorial Park 'The Memorial Garden' to commemorate all lives lost and ii) the request to place a plaque on the replacement cherry tree in the market was refused. 5.3 An email was received from Councillor Butcher regarding the U3A planting fruit trees and the request <b>AGREED</b> . 5.4 An email was received from a member of the public regarding the trees in Mallison Hill Woods and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk should respond to confirm that if there is a TPO on a tree overhanging the property the resident should apply to Hambleton District Council for permission for him to cut the branches and if there is no TPO then to cut the branches overhanging himself.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Playground Inspections</b> The quarterly inspections were received and it was confirmed that the following high risk items: rotted standing posts and the tunnel have been repaired.

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<b>7.</b>	<b>Budget</b> The financial position as of 31st March was noted and no virements were considered necessary.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of the Next Meeting</b> 15th August 2022 at 7.30pm or on the rising of the Planning Committee.

The meeting closed at 19.29