

**EASINGWOLD TOWN COUNCIL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY 15TH JANUARY 2024, COUNCIL CHAMBER, GALTRES CENTRE**

Present: Councillors R. Varney (Chairman), N. Madden, K. Butcher, C. Bilson, F. Johnston-Banks, S. Shepherd, C. Barnes
Co-opted member C. Jackson

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

1.	Apologies All members were present and therefore there were no apologies.
2.	Public Questions or Comments It was resolved to adjourn the meeting for up to 15 minutes to take questions or comments through the Chairman from members of the public. One member of the public was present and item 8 was moved to the start of the meeting.
3.	Clerk's Progress report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email was sent to A & M Cleaning on 24th October 2023 to confirm the hourly increase • The EV projects have been incorporated into the Action Plan as 2 separate projects • An email was sent to the potential trader on 24th October 2023 to approve the request to trade in the market place, subject to certain conditions but there has been no further progress • The bollards are being installed by the Fika Rooms and The York w/c 8th January 2024 • The budget for the Operations Committee for 2024/25 has been approved at the full council meeting on the 19th December 2023
4.	Action List The action list was received and it was RESOLVED to mark the bandstand complete, to chase the contractor regarding the flagpole, Councillor Barnes will speak to Fraser Lane regarding the repairs to the Memorial Park Wall and the benches have been removed in front of the Galtres. Councillor Bilson requested more detail on the EV projects and the Wifi equipment
5.	Market 5.1 An update on the general running of the market was received and it was RESOLVED to send the Buckbys a note to thank them for their business and to wish them well in the future. 5.2 The current waiting list was noted and recent market stall applications received and requests for permanent stalls considered. 5.3 The code of conduct for market traders was received and agreed. 5.4 It was agreed that the signs advertising the Friday market in the market place need replacing and it was RESOLVED to approve a spend of up to £250.00 under delegated authority.
6.	Planters/Bike Racks 6.1 The planter report was received from the Miscellaneous Works Contractor and approved. 6.2 An email was received from Councillor Barnes regarding bike racks and an email received from Councillor Johnston-Banks regarding flower containers in the town square and it was AGREED that Councillors Barnes, Butcher and Varney should bring a proposal outlining the exact design to the April meeting, taking into account planning requirements.
7.	Toilets 7.1 The up-to-date Register of Incidents was noted 7.2 A request was received from the cleaners for a new cupboard in the ladies. In principle this was approved but 3 quotes are required. 7.3 A quote was received from Dynorod regarding the drains in the toilets and it was RESOLVED to obtain alternative quotes in addition to a quote from Derek Moss and bring

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	<p>them to full council in February. It was RESOLVED to put a management plan of the market place in place.</p> <p>7.4 A quote was received from R. E. Thompson regarding the gents toilets and AGREED.</p>
8.	<p>Gullies</p> <p>This item was moved to the start of the meeting. A report was received from Chris Jackson and Councillor Barnes and it was proposed that Easingwold Town Council goes ahead with a gully survey. This was unanimously supported. It was AGREED that Councillor Barnes and Chris Jackson should create a plan determining exact requirements for the survey.</p>
9.	<p>Town Clock</p> <p>A quote was received from Smiths of Derby to service the clock it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should request a payment plan over a 3 year contract.</p>
10.	<p>Counter terrorism preparation</p> <p>A proposal was received from Councillor Bilson it was RESOLVED to approve a St John's Ambulance trauma bag for £85.00 for the town. It was AGREED that Councillors Johnston-Banks and Bilson would liaise with the Business Forum and the Galtres and create a proposal for the April agenda.</p>
11.	<p>Finance & Budget Monitoring</p> <p>The financial position at 31/12/2023 was noted and no action was considered necessary.</p>
12.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>It was noted that the next meeting is scheduled for 15th April 2024, at 7.30pm or on the rising of the Planning Committee</p>

The meeting closed at 8.30pm
Signed