

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

Present: Councillors R. Varney (Chairman), N. Madden, K. Butcher, C. Bilson, F. Johnston-Banks, C. Barnes

In attendance: Councillor Whiteside

Clerk: Mrs J. Bentley

1.	<p>To elect a Chairman Councillor Barnes proposed Councillor Varney as Chairman, it was seconded by Councillor Butcher and Councillor Varney was duly elected Chairman.</p>
2.	<p>Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Shepherd and Chris Jackson</p>
	<p>Public Questions or Comments No members of the public were present therefore the meeting was not adjourned.</p>
3.	<p>Clerk's Progress report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AMCO has been authorised to investigate possibilities for the CCTV • CosyHome has taken a permanent stall on the market • The market stall contractors have been awarded a pay increase • The Artisan market has been asked to put the cones back in place following the market • The piano busker carried out a trial period of 3 weeks • A site visit took place with Healthmatic and it was confirmed that the door of the gents cannot be changed to open the opposite way • The Memorial Park wall work has been awarded to Yorkshire Landscapes and the unsuccessful contractors informed • Councillor Barnes and the Clerk completed a site visit with PBS on 8th July and confirmed that the retention invoice may now be paid • The cycle racks have been ordered
4.	<p>Action List The action list was received. It was AGREED that Councillor Johnston-Banks should liaise with Rupert Smith regarding the Wifi installation. It was AGREED that toilet doors and the tarmac outside the Fika Rooms/Harrowells should be added to the Action list. Councillor Whiteside confirmed that Paul Bossick will install the sign for the trauma bag at the George.</p>
5.	<p>Allotments An update on the allotments was received. It was AGREED that the Assistant Clerk should prepare a report containing the waiting list, occupancy and the summer inspection, highlighting any requirements, for the October meeting.</p>
6.	<p>Toilets</p> <p>6.1 The up-to-date Register of Incidents was noted. Councillor Varney thanked Councillors Whiteside and Johnston-Banks for checking the toilets.</p> <p>6.2 A quote was received for doors from Healthmatic and it was AGREED not to proceed with it but to obtain a quote for the baby change door for the August council meeting.</p> <p>6.3 Alternative options for the toilet door locking were received from Councillors Whiteside and Johnston-Banks and it was AGREED that the Clerk should check the feasibility of the suggestions with Healthmatic and agree any potential resolution by email.</p>
7.	<p>CCTV An email was received from AMCO regarding CCTV it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should check the email from Councillor Barne's recent ASB meeting and arrange for a visit. It was AGREED that the Clerk would contact AMCO to thank them for their email and confirm that Easingwold Town Council would be in touch following the assessment.</p>

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	It was AGREED to put this item on the agenda for the October Operations Committee meeting.
8.	<p>Bins</p> <p>8.1 A request was received for a bin in the Memorial Park, and it was RESOLVED to approve it.</p> <p>8.2 The bins in the market place were considered and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should contact NYC to determine the size and style of bins available then replace the bin outside the Fika Room, put another one in the car park and one by the ladies. Once the quotes from NYC are received this item will be approved by email.</p>
9.	<p>Christmas Lighting</p> <p>A quote was received from Acorn Lighting Services regarding Christmas Lights and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should confirm that all the Christmas decorations, including the stars in the trees and the icicle lights on the market cross, are included in the quote and if so accept the quote for £800 to refit the sockets and the quote for £1767.00 plus VAT for installation/removal and storage of the motifs.</p>
10.	<p>Finance & Budget Monitoring</p> <p>The financial position at 30/06/2024 was noted and no action was considered necessary.</p>
11.	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for 14th October, at 7.30pm or on the rising of the Planning Committee</p>

The meeting closed at 19.56