



CITY OF ELY COUNCIL ASSETS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2022 AT 7.00 PM AT SESSION HOUSE, LYNN ROAD, ELY.

PRESENT: Mrs S Jay– Deputy Clerk to the Council ***Bold font indicates voting member of committee***

Cllr C Phillips **Cllr V Ganivet** **Cllr I Lindsay** The Mayor - Cllr R Morgan Cllr P Harris

Not present: Cllr D Edge & Cllr R Pitt

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from **Cllr C Whelan**

2. To receive declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on the 18th October 2022 and matters arising.

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 18th October 2022 were agreed by members and signed by the Chairman. Pages A48. A49 & A50 refer

Matter arising:- Cllr Ganivet advised that the Council would not qualify for the funding available for end-of-life boilers as the current boilers are in good repair. She will keep an eye on the details for the criteria of the next round of funding, when it is released.

4. Update on decarbonisation

Cllr Lindsay reported that it will be necessary to look at technology for future replacement heating. He is in talks with the Cathedral, and they are happy to share the advice they are receiving for some of their properties. ECDC have thermal imaging cameras, he would like to borrow these at some point to assess the Council's own buildings. 'East Cambs Can' are interested in offering this service to domestic properties but feel they do not have the membership numbers to help run a scheme. They would support, advocate and advertise anyone who could take it on.

Information regarding electric vehicle charging points will be obtained for installation at the Cemetery however this is not a viable option at the current time, as electric vehicles are not available with enough towing capacity, required for use by the Estates Team. However, in time, technology may change.

5. Recreation Areas

(i) To note budget update, dated 5th December 2022

Members noted the budget update dated the 5th December 2022, there were no significant variances.

(ii) To discuss response from Climate and Environment Committee for additional lighting at St Johns Road Skate Park

Members agreed with the decision from the Climate & Environment Committee that bright light and noise later into the evening would have an impact on residents and therefore agreed to not investigate any further the installation of flood lights.

6. Cemetery

To note budget update, dated 5th December 2022

Members noted the budget update dated the 5th December 2022, there were no significant variances.

7. Christmas Lights –

(i) To note budget update, dated 5th December 2022

Members noted the budget update dated the 5th December 2022, there were no significant variances.

(ii) To note minutes of meeting held on the 8th November 2022

Members noted the minutes of the meeting held on the 8th November 2022.

The Deputy Clerk requested the Mayor write a letter of thanks to the lead volunteer for all the work they have put in, in installing the Christmas lights. The Mayor agreed to do this, the Deputy Clerk will provide their contact details.

8. Local Needs Housing

(i) To note budget update, dated 5th December 2022

Members noted the budget update dated the 5th December 2022, there were no significant variances.

9. Sessions House

The Deputy Clerk reported the Allotments and Gardens Association had arranged the purchase of a display cabinet for the trophies.

Cllr Ganivet suggested listing the building as potential filming location for production companies to use. Members agreed this was a good idea. Cllr Ganivet agreed to investigate where to do this and the cost – if any.

10. The Maltings Complex -to receive updates on:

(i) Maltings – To receive any updates

The Deputy Clerk reported that there are continuous maintenance problems at the Maltings, last week the glass washer had to be replaced at a cost of around £1000. This week the air filtration system fan has broken and the filters have disintegrated.

(ii) To note budget updates for Maltings, restaurant & cottage dated 5th December 2022

Members noted the budget update dated the 5th December 2022, any significant variances had previously being agreed.

(iii) Maltings Cottage

Members discussed the response received from the second applicant and agreed the council is not able to underwrite the project. Therefore, it was decided to respond asking them to confirm their original position. to fund the refurbishment themselves if the lease is extended.

Clarification will be sought from the Landlord as to the position of the insurance claim for subsidence.

11. Date of next meeting:

Monday 30th January 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm