

KIRBY MUXLOE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the LEISURE, PARKS AND CEMETERY MEETING

Held at 7 p.m. on
Thursday 25th May 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors B Atkinson C Frost
M Mulholland

IN ATTENDANCE: Members of the Public - One

LPC/001/23-24 **To appoint a Chairman of the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee**
Nominations for a Chairman of the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee were called for.

PROPOSED by Cllr M Mulholland and SECONDED by Cllr B Atkinson

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr C Frost be appointed Chairman of the Leisure, Parks and Cemetery Committee

LPC/002/23-24 **Chairman's Welcome**
The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting

LPC/003/23-24 **To receive apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllr F Quilliam

Apologies were received from the ground care contractor.

LPC/004/22-23 **To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests to any matter pertaining to the agenda and to consider dispensations**
There were no declarations of interest.

It was **AGREED** that Public Participation be addressed ahead of item 5.

LPC/005/22-23 **Public Participation**
A member of the public approved of the tennis courts booking system, but believed it may be helpful to display instructions as to how to gain entry. It was also noted that a member of public is yet to receive a refund of £4.

It was also questioned whether a pickleball practice board (8 ft x 8 ft) could be located on court, along with a bench. It was suggested that a plan of the proposed locations be provided. In the meantime, opinions of other users are to be gained.

The Clerk queried the charges being made for those playing pickleball.

LPC/006/23-24 **To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2023 are a true and accurate record**
PROPOSED by Cllr M Mulholland and SECONDED by Cllr C Frost

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

LPC/007/23-24 **Public Participation**
(15 minutes are set aside for members of the public to raise issues and ask questions)
This item was addressed at LPC/005/22-23

LPC/008/23-24 **To receive an update from the Ground care Contractor**
The Chairman read aloud the update provided by the Ground care Contractor

LPC/009/23-24 **Parks and Open Space Matters**
Permission to be gained from Kirby Muxloe Recreation Ground Charity where required

1. **To discuss and consider**
 - i. **A request from Kirby Muxloe Tree Wardens**

Members were advised that insurance for volunteers, recently questioned by a Tree Warden, was relayed to one of the three Tree Wardens on 31st October 2022.

A request received in relation to the Tree Warden scheme was considered.
PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

After some discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that an informal meeting be arranged with the Tree wardens.

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- ii. **Providing a Pickleball practice board and court bench**

This item was addressed at LPC/005/22-23

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- iii. **Planter locations**

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr B Atkinson

It was **RESOLVED** that the black planters, the small concrete planters and the large concrete planter by the Village Hall entrance remain in their current locations. The new oval planters are to be placed in the Memorial Garden, with the existing large concrete planters being placed in storage.

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2. **To discuss and consider quotations:**

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- i. **For temporary pickleball court markings**

A quotation to mark temporary pickleball lines was presented

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quotation at a cost of £25 per court

ii. **To address matters highlighted in the Play Inspection Report**

A quotation to address matters highlighted in the Play Inspection Report was presented

PROPOSED by Cllr M Mulholland and SECONDED by Cllr B Atkinson

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quotation at a cost of £800

iii. **For annual maintenance and resurfacing repairs at the tennis courts**

A quotation for annual maintenance at the tennis courts was presented

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quotation at a cost of £1100 and for 'The Byways' tenant to be contacted in relation to use of the outdoor tap. Due to difficulties gaining access to water, an outdoor tap at the tennis courts is to be considered.

iv. **For a replacement bollard by the balancing pond entrance**

A quotation to supply a bollard by the entrance to the balancing pond was presented

PROPOSED by Cllr M Mulholland and SECONDED by Cllr C Frost

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quotation at a cost of £250

v. **To refit a bench with secure fittings on the corner of Main Street**

A quotation to refit a bench on the corner of Main Street was presented

PROPOSED by Cllr B Atkinson and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quotation at a cost of £149

vi. **To water the Elaeagnus around the boundary of the Play Area**

Members were advised that watering of the Elaeagnus is still an issue, but the Company who provide the hanging baskets have since been asked whether this is a task they'd consider.

LPC/010/23-24

Cemetery Matters

To discuss and consider

i. **Relocation of a Memorial bench**

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

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After some discussion, members expressed concern that the preferred location poses a health and safety risk and it was therefore **RESOLVED** that a location by the tree on the opposite side of section T be considered by the family.

ii. **Memorial Safety Testing**

The Clerk noted that memorial safety testing is a legal obligation. Members **AGREED** to liaise with the Ground Care Contractor in the first instance.

LPC/011/23-24

Allotment Matters

i. **To discuss and consider correspondence from an allotment tenant**

Members noted the correspondence from an allotment tenant in relation to waste left behind by previous tenants.

After some discussion, it was **AGREED** that the tenant makes arrangements for this waste to be removed from the plot concerned.

LPC/012/23-24

To note any other business

(This item should only be used to register future agenda items or items that are solely for information only. No issues requiring a decision or with a financial implication can be raised)

There was no other business

LPC/013/23-24

To confirm the date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 20th July 2023 at 7 p.m.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8:07 p.m.

Chairman's Signature



Date

20/7/23

Chairman's Initials

C. J. F.