

PAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL
LAND AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30th OCTOBER 2019 at
7.45PM**

Present: Cllr Mike Fletcher (Chairman)
Cllr Rob Lewis
Cllr Martin Slinger
Becca Eccles

Also Present: Cllr Andy Cash

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Ann Daniels and Rosie Nash.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3RD APRIL 2019

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

4. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE:

- a. Metal Benches in the Recreation Ground; the benches have been accessed by ROPSA and are not considered a risk to safety. The benches will be re-painted and tidied up in the Spring.
- b. Carpets – Cemetery Lodge; the carpets have been replaced.
- c. Cemetery Trees; quotes have been agreed and the work will take place early December.
- d. Tourist Information Centre – improvements; the Council are working with the TIC on a schedule for winter improvements.
- e. Town Hall drains – the drains to the rear of the Town Hall have been cleared. An issue with the surface run off from the A46 (following the resurfacing) has been reported to Highways and is being monitored.
- f. Town Hall stairs – the internal stairs have been painted.
- g. Bike Rack – this has been installed.
- h. Bus Shelter, Sheepscombe – the shelter has been cleaned and painted.

5. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON WORK IDENTIFIED TO BE CARRIED OUT THIS WINTER:

- a. Town Hall – repainting of the interior main hall walls.
- b. Painswick Youth and Community Pavilion – repaint interior where necessary.
- c. Cemetery Store and Garage – declutter.
- d. LED Lights – toilets without sensors – replace lights with LED.
- e. PAT testing to be carried out.

The Committee noted the work to be carried out.

6. TO CONSIDER REPLACING THE WINDOWS OF UNIT 2, ST MARYS STREET BUSINESS UNITS.

The Committee agreed to recommend to full council that a quote is sought, and the windows replaced.

7. CEMETERY:

a. To consider potential use for the Cemetery Chapel.

Cemetery Chapel Store – The Committee were sent a briefing prior to the meeting, with a proposal to rent the part of the storeroom. The Committee wanted to ensure that the electric use was monitored. (Clerks note that a separate meter is already installed).

The Committee agreed to recommend to full council that the proposal is approved.

Cemetery Chapel – The Committee agreed that this property should be marketed for an alternative use.

b. To consider the requirement for the Portaloo in the Cemetery.

The Committee agreed to retain the portaloo.

c. To receive information on the recent Tomb Stone Shaking.

The handyman has carried out the safety exercise and identified 6 tombs that would benefit from being shored up. (The handyman will carry out this work).

d. To consider allowing some beehives to be erected.

Cllr Martin Slinger reported on a request to site some beehives in the remote corner of the cemetery.

The Committee wanted to check out any risks with the Insurance Company.
CLERK

The Committee agreed, subject to advice received from the Insurance Company, to allow the siting of a couple of beehives.

8. TO CONSIDER INSTALLING A DEFIBRILLATOR IN THE PHONE BOX AT EDGE (when it has been decommissioned) and to consider the recommendation of a quote.

Cllr Martin Slinger reported that the residents of Edge were supportive of the idea of a defibrillator being installed in the Phone Box.

The Members were sent a quote for an appropriate defibrillator that could be installed in the box, once it has been decommissioned.

The Committee agreed to recommend to full Council, that the quote be accepted, and a defibrillator be installed in the phone box.

9. TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING A QUOTE TO INSTALL NEW PRE-SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT, IN THE RECREATION GOUND

A quote and photo to the type of play equipment was sent to the Members prior to the meeting.

The Committee agreed to recommend to full council that the quote be approved.

10. TO CONSIDER MEASURES THAT COULD BE TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO CLIMATE & ECOLOGICAL CHANGES.

The Committee felt that all aspects of Council business needs to be reviewed.

It was agreed to set up a working group – Becca Eccles and Cllrs James Cross, Martin Slinger, Mike Fletcher.

11. LAND REGISTRATION FOR PARISH COUNCIL PROPERTY – TO CONSIDER A WAY FORWARD FOR WORK REQUIRED IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE REGISTRATION OF PARISH COUNCIL PROPERTY.

The Clerk and Deputy Clerk will continue the work started by Stephen Tye – (as overtime). There is already £2000 allocated to the project but further funds would be required as it is envisaged more legal assistance will be needed.

The Committee agreed to recommend to full council that a further £3,000 be allocated to the budget.

A progress report to be reviewed at the next Land and Buildings Committee meeting. **CLERK**

12. TO NOTE ANY NEW WORKS REQUIRED.

a. The Committee agreed to replace the existing noticeboard (located by the BT phone box on New Street) with the new Gateway Footpath noticeboard. The Clerk is to investigate the technology around QR codes to provide a digital copy of the Definitive Map and a Town Map. **CLERK**

b. Grit bins. Several grit bins require replacing. The Committee agreed to purchase bins made from recyclable plastic (it was noted that these will be black and not green).

c. Bench at Slad – the broken bench has been replaced.

d. Happy to Chat Bench – the Committee agreed to support the initiative when a suitable location has been found. **CLERK**

e. Painswick Youth and Community Pavilion – bottom corner by the door – rendering needs repairing. **CLERK**

f. Concrete Bench in Recreational Ground is broken. **CLERK**

13. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – tba.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.55 P.M.