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Councillors M Burke, R Chapman, M King, M Mallool Wright, C Smith, J Tiddy, N Wells, S Mokbul.

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the **Amenities Committee** of St Ives Town Council to be held **in the Town Hall on Wednesday 28 September 2022 at 7.20 pm.**

Proper Officer Locum Clerk Diane Baylis

AGENDA

A43.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive and note apologies for absence.

A44.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A44.01

Making Declarations of Interest

Clarification of the policy and procedures for Members to declare interests during all Council and Committee meetings (copy herewith).

A44.02

Retrospective Declarations

An opportunity for Members to give Declarations for past meetings where they either did not declare an interest or it was not recorded.

A44.03

Declarations of Interest

To receive Declarations of Disclosable and/or Non-disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and the nature of those interests relating to any Agenda item.

A45.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A maximum of 15 minutes in total is permitted for members of the public to address the Committee in accordance with the Town Council's approved Public Participation Policy. Each participant will be limited to 3 minutes in which to make their comments.

A46.00 MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 27 July 2022 (copy herewith).

- A47.00 ROLLING PROGRAMME**
To receive Rolling Programme (copy herewith).
- A48.00 BUDGET**
To receive budget for the Committee (copy herewith).
- A49.00 OUTDOOR GYM**
To receive update report from Locum Clerk (copy herewith).
- A50.00 CHILDREN'S BURIAL GROUND**
To consider report proposing improvements to the children's burial area in Ramsey Road Cemetery (copy herewith).
- A51.00 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC**
To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting.
- A52.00 ALL SAINTS CEMETERY VARIOUS TREE REMEDIAL WORKS**
To consider quotations received for the above works (copy herewith).
- A53.00 PURCHASE OF NEW GROUNDS MAINTENANCE VEHICLE**
To consider proposal from Locum Clerk (copy herewith).
- A54.00 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC**
To resolve that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

EXTRACT FROM CODE OF CONDUCT 2020

Appendix B Registering interests

Within 28 days of becoming a member or your re-election or re-appointment to office you must register with the Monitoring Officer the interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 1** (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) which are as described in "The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012". You should also register details of your other personal interests which fall within the categories set out in **Table 2** (Other Registerable Interests).

"Disclosable Pecuniary Interest" means an interest of yourself, or of your partner if you are aware of your partner's interest, within the descriptions set out in Table 1 below.

"Partner" means a spouse or civil partner, or a person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom you are living as if you are civil partners.

1. You must ensure that your register of interests is kept up-to-date and within 28 days of becoming aware of any new interest, or of any change to a registered interest, notify the Monitoring Officer.
2. A 'sensitive interest' is as an interest which, if disclosed, could lead to the councillor, or a person connected with the councillor, being subject to violence or intimidation.
3. Where you have a 'sensitive interest' you must notify the Monitoring Officer with the reasons why you believe it is a sensitive interest. If the Monitoring Officer agrees they will withhold the interest from the public register.

Non participation in case of disclosable pecuniary interest.

4. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to one of your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in **Table 1**, you must disclose the interest, not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that you have an interest. Dispensation may be granted in limited circumstances, to enable you to participate and vote on a matter in which you have a disclosable pecuniary interest.

5. [Where you have a disclosable pecuniary interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it]

Disclosure of Other Registerable Interests

6. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to the financial interest or wellbeing of one of your Other Registerable Interests (as set out in **Table 2**), you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting but

otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

Disclosure of Non-Registerable Interests

7. Where a matter arises at a meeting which directly relates to your financial interest or well-being (and is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest set out in **Table 1**) or a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate, you must disclose the interest. You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation. If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

8. Where a matter arises at a meeting which *affects* –

a. your own financial interest or well-being;

b. a financial interest or well-being of a relative or close associate; or

c. a financial interest or wellbeing of a body included under Other Registrable Interests as set out in **Table 2** you must disclose the interest. In order to determine whether you can remain in the meeting after disclosing your interest the following test should be applied.

9. Where a matter (referred to in paragraph 8 above) *affects* the financial interest or well-being:

a. to a greater extent than it affects the financial interests of the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision and;

b. a reasonable member of the public knowing all the facts would believe that it would affect your view of the wider public interest.

You may speak on the matter only if members of the public are also allowed to speak at the meeting. Otherwise you must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless you have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', you do not have to disclose the nature of the interest.

10. [Where you have an Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest on a matter to be considered or is being considered by you as a Cabinet member in exercise of your executive function, you must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest and must not take any steps or further steps in the matter apart from arranging for someone else to deal with it]

Table 1: Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

This table sets out the explanation of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests as set out in the [Relevant Authorities \(Disclosable Pecuniary Interests\) Regulations 2012](#).

Subject	Description
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain. [Any unpaid directorship.]
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the council) made to the councillor during the previous 12-month period for expenses incurred by him/her in carrying out his/her duties as a councillor, or towards his/her election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.
Contracts	Any contract made between the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the 19 January 2021 Page 14 of 17 councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners (or a firm in which such person is a partner, or an incorporated body of which such person is a director* or a body that such person has a beneficial interest in the securities of*) and the council — (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged.
Land and Property	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the area of the council. 'Land' excludes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not give the councillor or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners (alone or jointly with another) a right to occupy or to receive income.
Licenses	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the area of the council for a month or longer
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to the councillor's knowledge)—

	(a) the landlord is the council; and (b) the tenant is a body that the councillor, or his/her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/ civil partners is a partner of or a director* of or has a beneficial interest in the securities* of.
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities* of a body where— (a) that body (to the councillor’s knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of the council; and (b) either— (i)) the total nominal value of the securities* exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or (ii) if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which the councillor, or his/ her spouse or civil partner or the person with whom the councillor is living as if they were spouses/civil partners has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

* ‘director’ includes a member of the committee of management of an industrial and provident society.

* ‘securities’ means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

Table 2: Other Registrable Interests

You have a personal interest in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- a) any body of which you are in general control or management and to which you are nominated or appointed by your authority
- b) any body
 - (i) exercising functions of a public nature
 - (ii) any body directed to charitable purposes or
 - (iii) one of whose principal purposes includes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)

Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee of St Ives Town Council held in the Town Hall on 27 July 2022

Present:

Chairman: Councillor M Burke

Vice Chairman: Councillor S Mokbul

Councillors: J Tiddy, M King, N Wells, C Smith, M Mallol Wright, P Pope (ex officio)

In attendance:

Hemingford Grey PC: Cllr A Meredith

Locum Clerk: P Truppin

Amenities Manager: M Price

Democratic Officer: S Rawlinson

REWILDING – PRESENTATION

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Anne Meredith of Hemingford Grey Parish Council to the meeting.

Cllr Meredith gave a presentation to Members on how her Council was working on re-wilding.

Hemingford Grey PC had made a declaration of climate emergency in 2020 and had adopted a green policy and a tree planting policy. They had examined their mowing specification and, in making changes to it, had tried to balance the needs of residents, some of whom were keen on re-wilding and others who wanted a tidier look on the green spaces.

There were three key green spaces in the parish which were examined and, following consultation with residents, re-wilding schemes were drawn up and further feedback sought on the proposals. The resulting plan would be effective for the next 3-4 years.

Some of the new incentives the Council introduced were:

- Making all new benches from recycled plastic
- Having 'No Mow May' on two of the green areas and leaving non-mown strips until September each year
- Increasing biodiversity by careful planting
- Planting spring bulbs and wildflowers to deter mowing of verges
- Planting native hedging
- Holding community action days to litter pick, plant trees and fruit trees for community use
- Holding nature workshops, 9 events had been council-funded to date
- Creation of bug hotels/community hedgehog hunt

The Chairman thanked Councillor Meredith for her interesting presentation.

A28.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor R Chapman (Personal).

A29.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Agenda Item A41.00 – Councillors P Pope, M Burke, C Smith and J Tiddy – non pecuniary other interest as an acquaintance of the late Councillor Davies.

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A30.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
Agenda Item A41.00 – a resident expressed his views on the proposed memorial.

A31.00 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 June 2022 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

A32.00 ROLLING PROGRAMME

Members were in receipt of the Rolling Programme.

A discussion was held on the appropriate location for the Outdoor Gym. There were concerns that Slepe Hall field might not be the ideal location due to the lack of parking in that area.

RESOLVED: A32.01 that agreement be deferred pending a re-assessment of all possible locations for the gym.

A32.02 that the matter be discussed at the September meeting of the Committee.

A33.00 BUDGET

RESOLVED: that the budget report be received and noted.

A34.00 AMENITIES STRATEGIC PLAN

The Chairman stated that St Ives had the lowest population of trees in the area and that the arboricultural team at HDC were keen to co-operate with extra planting.

The planting of a tree by each Town Mayor during his year of office was discussed.

RESOLVED: that the Strategic Plan be received and noted.

A35.00 APPLICATION FOR USE OF LAND

An application had been received for the use of Warner's Park on 11 September for a Charity Afternoon Tea in aid of Target Ovarian.

RESOLVED: A35.01 that consent be given to use of the Park for this event.

A35.02 that the Chairman and Amenities Manager discuss what further documentation should be requested from applicants seeking to use Council land.

A36.00 CEMETERY REGULATIONS

Members received an update from the Burials Officer on the timescale for receipt of interment notices.

RESOLVED: that the information be received and noted.

A37.00 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC

RESOVLED: that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the Meeting.

A38.00 TREE WORKS**A38.01 Aspen Poplar Tree**

Consideration was given to the removal of a diseased aspen poplar on The Waits.

RESOLVED: that the recommendations of the Amenities Manager be agreed and progressed.

A38.02 Broadleas Cemtery Remedial Works

Consideration was given to quotations received for various works in the Cemetery.

RESOLVED: that the recommendations of the Amenities Manager be agreed and progressed.

A39.00 BUNDED DIESEL TANK

Consideration was given to the purchase of a banded diesel tank.

RESOLVED: that the tank be purchased at a cost of £1559.00.

A40.00 PURCHASE OF FARMERS' MARKET GAZEBOS

RESOLVED: that two Gala tent gazebos be purchased at a cost of £1163.96 to replace the two unfit for purpose.

A41.00 MEMORIAL

Members were in receipt of letter from resident in this matter.

A discussion was held on how to proceed.

RESOLVED: **A41.01** that the letter from the resident be received and noted.

A41.02 that the proposed flower bed not be proceeded with.

A41.03 that the poetry tribute be framed and displayed in the Chamber at no cost to the Council.

A42.00

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: that the confidential business having been concluded, the Press and the Public be re-admitted to the meeting.

Chairman:

Dated: 28 September 2022

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Index	Date	Agenda title	Agenda	Resolved	State	Narrative
A.00	28/09/22	Lights around Oliver Cromwell	Cleaning		In progress	28/09 – Amenities Manager will task and add to the GM schedule over the winter period to clean, strip and re paint the 4 lights adjacent to the Oliver Cromwell, the cleaning will be finished by 19 th November. Ready for Christmas lights.
	12/06/22	OUTDOOR GYM EQUIPMENT	Report to Amenities Committee the findings	.	In progress	28/09 – Amenities Manager to report to committee the findings and proposals following the consultation
A.00	07/09/22	War Memorial	Cleaning		In progress	7/09 – RBL & GM team cleansed the War Memorial after requests from Residents and RBL, further work will need doing but a good start,
A.02	12/06/22	REQUEST FROM HDC to water parklet in Bus Station Car park	Watering	Agreed. Review of schedule of GM works to be undertaken	In progress	04/09 – HDC asked the Amenities manager if the GM team could water the parklet in the car park as they water next to them, it was agreed the GM would, and a plaque is being placed in the parklet to tell all that SITC are working with HDC
A	28/09/22	SITC Benches	GM Schedule		In Progress	22/09 – SITC GM will be tasked to clean x1 SITC owned bench per month, this will include, stripping, priming and re varnishing/ [painting and replacement –.
A	28/09/22	Oliver Cromwell	Cleaning		In Progress	22/09 – The Oliver Cromwell statue needs cleaning; the Amenities manager will task the Admin officer in TH to run the project and report to committee costs and dates.

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Annual Budget - By Committee (Actual YTD Month 6)

		<u>Last Year</u>		<u>Current Year</u>				<u>Next Year</u>		
		Budget	Actual	Total	Actual YTD	Projected	Committed	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
<u>Amenities</u>										
300	<u>Amenities General</u>									
4100	Farmers' Markets	12,540	18,833	14,500	10,832	0	0	0	0	0
4101	Sale of equipment	0	0	0	1,800	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Income	12,540	18,833	14,500	12,632	0	0	0	0	0
5019	Repairs & Renewals	3,000	3,162	3,000	2,232	0	0	0	0	0
5021	Health & Safety	500	550	500	252	0	0	0	0	0
6136	Eco Action	10,000	5,750	4,250	0	0	0	0	0	0
6184	Town Signs/Noticeboards/Maint.	0	0	2,000	575	0	0	0	0	0
6300	Playground - Open Spaces & Cem	0	509	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6456	Toilet Provision	35,000	27,480	35,000	13,750	0	0	0	0	0
6927	Street Cleaning	0	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
6932	Electricity	600	317	600	244	0	0	0	0	0
6934	Water Rates	1,000	1,006	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
6937	Fire Extinguishers	250	0	250	0	0	0	0	0	0
6945	Clock Maintenance	8,220	10,133	1,655	330	0	0	0	0	0
6983	Farmer's Markets	13,000	14,236	13,000	6,625	0	0	0	0	0
9080	CIL Expenditure (EMR)	0	270	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9136	Jointly Funded Imp Scheme(EMR)	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9157	New Vehicle (EMR)	1,000	0	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
9187	Parish Church Wall (EMR)	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9195	Play Equipment (EMR)	5,000	2,350	20,000	231	0	0	0	0	0
9286	Equip & Tools-Amenities (EMR)	5,000	2,577	25,000	1,024	0	0	0	0	0

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		Budget	Actual	Total	Actual YTD	Projected	Committed	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
9496	Westwood Road Memorial (EMR)	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	93,570	68,340	109,255	25,263	0	0	0	0	0
	300 Net Income over Expenditure	-81,030	-49,506	-94,755	-12,632	0	0	0	0	0
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	0	270	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(81,030)</u>	<u>(49,236)</u>	<u>(94,755)</u>	<u>(12,632)</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		
310	<u>Street Lighting</u>									
5019	Repairs & Renewals	2,000	1,049	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
6032	CCC Electric Energy	1,400	2,381	3,500	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	3,400	3,430	5,500	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(3,400)</u>	<u>(3,430)</u>	<u>(5,500)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		
330	<u>Machinery</u>									
6255	Road Fund Licence	450	415	450	290	0	0	0	0	0
6256	Fuel	4,500	5,424	4,900	3,878	0	0	0	0	0
6257	Maintenance & MOT	4,000	2,840	4,000	269	0	0	0	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	8,950	8,678	9,350	4,437	0	0	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(8,950)</u>	<u>(8,678)</u>	<u>(9,350)</u>	<u>(4,437)</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		
340	<u>Playground/Open Spaces/Cem.</u>									
4052	Ashes Plots Digging	1,000	1,134	1,000	264	0	0	0	0	0
4130	Chritmas Tree Income	0	2,103	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4150	Burial Fees	22,000	30,845	22,000	8,380	0	0	0	0	0

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	<u>Last Year</u>		<u>Current Year</u>				<u>Next Year</u>		
	Budget	Actual	Total	Actual YTD	Projected	Committed	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
Total Income	23,000	34,082	23,000	8,644	0	0	0	0	0
6391 Inspections & Repair & Renewal	1,000	611	1,000	630	0	0	0	0	0
6488 Tree Work	11,118	11,320	6,050	1,880	0	0	0	0	0
6490 Annual Planting	9,000	9,177	9,730	5,344	0	0	0	0	0
6492 Christmas Tree & Decorations	1,000	2,902	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
6593 Cemetery Maintenance	2,500	1,396	2,500	1,550	0	0	0	0	0
9080 CIL Expenditure (EMR)	0	70,960	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9195 Play Equipment (EMR)	0	0	0	298	0	0	0	0	0
Overhead Expenditure	24,618	96,367	20,280	9,701	0	0	0	0	0
340 Net Income over Expenditure	-1,618	-62,284	2,720	-1,058	0	0	0	0	0
6000 plus Transfer from EMR	0	70,960	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(1,618)	8,676	2,720	(1,058)	0		0		
350 Allotments									
4160 Allotment Rents	5,964	7,886	6,900	7,911	0	0	0	0	0
Total Income	5,964	7,886	6,900	7,911	0	0	0	0	0
6636 Allotment Maintenance	1,800	857	1,000	143	0	0	0	0	0
6644 Rent for the Meadow	400	200	200	200	0	0	0	0	0
Overhead Expenditure	2,200	1,057	1,200	343	0	0	0	0	0
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	3,764	6,829	5,700	7,568	0		0		

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	<u>Last Year</u>		<u>Current Year</u>				<u>Next Year</u>		
	Budget	Actual	Total	Actual YTD	Projected	Committed	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
Amenities - Income	41,504	60,802	44,400	29,186	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditure	132,738	177,871	145,585	39,745	0	0	0	0	0
Net Income over Expenditure	<u>-91,234</u>	<u>-117,069</u>	<u>-101,185</u>	<u>-10,559</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
plus Transfer from EMR	0	71,230	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(91,234)</u>	<u>(45,839)</u>	<u>(101,185)</u>	<u>(10,559)</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>		

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Outdoor Gym Equipment – Update

28th September 2022

23rd March 2022 Amenities Committee approved costings for the Outdoor Gym equipment at a cost of £16,000 and to be procured from Fresh Air Fitness.

The decision was after months of quoting and gaining ideas from other suppliers to see how best outdoor gym equipment could be used in St Ives, after consultation it was agreed that a 12-piece user station was the best tender and would benefit many residents.

Following the decision in March 2022 the then Amenities manager went out to public consultation and gained thoughts and opinions on placing the equipment on the piece of land on Wheatfield's park adjacent to Stubbs Close, feedback from local residents was mixed with people not happy with the proposed site due to Anti-social behaviour, noise and neglect, other residents welcomed the idea but it was clear that other sites were needed to be looked at.

Warners park was looked at next to the current play park but the room needed and access would not allow the Gym to be fully utilised and it was also under 6m away from minors play equipment.

Slepe Hall field was then looked at in May 2022 and Fresh Air Fitness edited a picture to show residents what it may look like in the park in the top corner near the pathways adjacent to the play area, public consultation went out via the Bridge Magazine to ask for opinions and suggestions from the residents.

The feedback gained was mainly objecting very strongly for the proposed site and many residents had the same concerns as Wheatfield's, many residents also were concerned about the function, need, requirement of such a Gym station and the monies to be better spent on other ideas.

I sat down with Amenities Chairman Cllr Burke to discuss this and the feedback in August 2022 and I put to the council that a decision is needed to continue or hold off on the Gym equipment station for the foreseeable future and have time to gain new and fresh ideas of how St Ives Town Council can achieve fitness, open space equipment and other means of wellbeing in the community.

No funds have been released to Fresh Air Fitness and no cancellation fee on order would be required.

Matthew Price – Locum Clerk

AMENITIES COMMITTEE

DATE: 28 September 2022

SUBJECT: Children's burial space (Ramsey Road Cemetery)

1 Introduction and Purpose of Report

1.1 To consider repairs and alterations to the Children's Burial site in Ramsey Road Cemetery

2 Recommendations

2.1 That the report is received and noted.

2.2 That replacement of the current picket fence to be replaced with box hedging and benches.

3 Background

3.1 The Children's burial plot area at Ramsey Road cemetery is a place that needs major attention, due to its personal reasons it needs to be comforting, tranquil, enclosed and a place for parents to reflect, currently this is not the case.

3.2 The GM team erected 3-foot-high picket fence over 5 years ago at a cost of £800, this has now failed and needs major work and investment for it to be repaired or parts replaced to make it functional once again.

3.3 There is no clear or structured access to the area and no safe or stable seating/benches, no waste bins.

4. Proposal

4.1 It is proposed that the Amenities Manager gain quotes for replacing the fence with Box Hedging that has Lavender or other fragrant plants inside to give a pleasant and well-manicured hedge, this will also attract wildlife, also quotes to be gained for two new seating areas in opposite corners for parents and family members to sit and spend time to reflect, these benches would also have words taken from famous nursery rhymes on the back. All quotes and costings would be reported back to Committee for approval before works commenced.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 The Cemetery Maintenance budget would be used for this project.

6. Policy Implications

6.1 There are no current policy implications

7. Health and Safety Implications

7.1 There are no Health and Safety implications. The Grounds Team will be working within the appropriate Council Risk Assessments and Health and Safety policy.

8. Reporting Officer – Matthew Price, Amenities Manager