

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Facilities Committee of St Ives Town Council
held in the Town Hall on 24 May 2023**

Present:

Councillors: M Mallol Wright, R Chapman, C Smith, N Wells, J Tiddy, S Mokbul, M King

In attendance:

Town Mayor: P Pope

Town Clerk: M Price

Democratic Officer: A Childs

Facilities Manager: T White

The Town Mayor commenced the meeting.

F01.00 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor J Tiddy nominated Councillor M King to serve as Chairman, which was seconded by Councillor S Mokbul. The vote was unanimous.

RESOLVED: that Councillor M King be appointed Chairman for the municipal year 2023/24.

F02.00 APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Councillor C Smith nominated Councillor S Mokbul to serve Vice Chairman, which was seconded by Councillor J Tiddy. The vote was unanimous.

RESOLVED: that Councillor S Mokbul be appointed Vice Chairman for the municipal year 2023/24.

F03.00 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

F04.00 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

F05.00 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair of the Flood Action Group mentioned that there were complaints regarding the use of diesel generators at last year's Michaelmas Fair. He asked if alternatives could be considered for future events. He requested that this item to be added to the agenda of the next relevant Committee meeting.

The gardening work at Ramsey Road & Hill Rise Cemetery was mentioned; Councillor P Hussain wished to express his gratitude to the St Ives in Bloom committee and the Grounds Maintenance Team for their impressive contributions to the improved appearance of the cemetery.

RESOLVED: that the generator concern be added as a discussion point to the agenda of the next relevant Committee meeting.

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F06.00 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 April 2023 be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

F07.00 ROLLING PROGRAMME

Councillor J Tiddy discussed the grounds work at Warner's Park Pavilion and requested that further pruning be completed to the roots around the top of the pavilion; as well as cleaning inside the pavilion.

The Vice Chairman asked if the referenced works at York House included the windows; the Facilities Manager confirmed the works will include window repair. A request was made for a full list of all works in detail. The Facilities Manager explained that the repairs are primarily remedial – partially due to the age of the building and partially from the everyday usage of the previous tenants.

RESOLVED: that the rolling programme be received and noted.

that the Facilities Manager will provide a report regarding the ground works at Warner's Park Pavilion.

that the Facilities Manager will provide a detailed list with description of all required works at York House.

F08.00 BUDGET

RESOLVED: that the budget report be received and noted.

F09.00 RoSPA ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report was included in the agenda pack, along with the summary of medium risk.

RESOLVED: that the report be received and noted.

F10.00 RUSSET CLOSE PLAY PARK

The Facilities Manager provided a verbal report regarding the Russett Close Play Park. Due to changes in age-related demographics in the surrounding neighbourhood, the Russett Close Play Park was no longer in frequent use.

The RoSPA report stated that the park should be closed and the play park equipment was not current and up-to-date in health and safety standards. The Chair invited suggestions for use of the land and space. It was suggested that the Committee visit the site, speak to local residents and gain a deeper understanding of the space to help decide future decisions on the land use.

RESOLVED: that the verbal report be received and noted.

that the Committee members schedule a group visit to the Russet Close Play Park.

that this item be added to the agenda of the next meeting.

F11.00 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED: 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.

F12.00 SIDS – COMMUNITY ROAD WATCH

The Facilities Manager provided a verbal report on the Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) to the Committee. David McCandless, Managing Director & National Coordinator of Community Roadwatch (UK) CIC, had provided some suggested works and associated costs for the monitoring and maintenance of the speed indicator devices in St Ives. The Facilities Manager suggested the possibility of arranging for the management of these devices to be contracted out by a relevant specialist.

RESOLVED: that the verbal report be received and noted.

that David McCandless be invited to attend the next Facilities Committee meeting to provide a presentation on the proposed works.

F13.00 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.

The meeting concluded at 8:29 pm.

Chairman:

Dated: 28 June 2023

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