

**POCKLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**LANDS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

A Lands and Property Committee meeting was held at The Old Courthouse 37 George Street commencing at 7pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

Members Present: Cllr Perry (chair), Cllr Hutchinson, Cllr Spademan, Cllr Sykes and Cllr West

In attendance: Town clerk Gordon Scaife.

1. Notice of meeting.  
The notice of the meeting was proposed by Cllr Sykes, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr West and agreed.
2. Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllr Cooper (work) and Cllr Hodgson (Work)
3. To receive any declarations of interest in relation to any agenda item.  
No declarations of interest were declared.
4. Consider suspending the meeting to allow an opportunity for person(s) or groups to address the Council for a total of 15 minutes. There were no members of the public present so the meeting wasn't suspended.
5. Consider continuing the meeting. The meeting hadn't been suspended so continued.
6. Consultation on Public Protection Notices.

There was a discussion on the current public protection notices. It was agreed the current dogs on lead orders and dog exclusion areas were adequate.

Cllr West proposed that additional alcohol prohibition areas be added these are to be Pocklington Cemetery, Victoria Road Play Area and Queen Elizabeth II Playing Fields West Green 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Sykes and agreed.

Cllr Hutchinson noted that there is an alcohol prohibition order on the Youth Club car park. This is now no longer a car park and has been developed into houses and needs to be removed.

7. Receive and consider the Clerk's report.  
The Clerk reported on the following  
**Victoria Road and Broadmanor Play Parks**  
There are currently no serious issues with our play areas.  
The following require maintenance and repairs have been ordered. One of the springy animals is loose and the seats on one of the roundabouts on Victoria Road require replacing.

### **Pocklington Cemetery**

There was an issue with the contractors missing a week in June which meant the grass became long. This has now been sorted and the grass cut.

The order for the gravestone work has been placed with J. Rotherham. There is a lack of signage and contact information at the Cemetery and a notice board plus basic rules would be useful and needs to be included in next year's budget.

There was a discussion on the long term need of providing a cemetery for Pocklington. At current burial rates the current cemetery will be full in between 15 to 20 years depending on burial rates.

### **All Saints Churchyard**

The footpath work will be done shortly.

### **West Green**

The tree health issue is now being sorted.

There is a lack of signage and contact information at West Green and a notice board plus basic rules would be useful and needs to be included in next year's budget. The notice board needs placing in the car park area as staff and pupils at Pocklington School are unaware the car park isn't there.

### **Allotments**

The allotment agreement is in the process of being signed and sealed.

### **Primrose Wood**

There is nothing to report.

### **Summer Planting**

The summer bedding has now all been planted out. The hot dry weather is meaning that more time is being spent watering.

### **Property**

#### **Pocklington Arts Centre**

Work on the legal easement document is continuing. The Arts Centre Manager and the Clerk are meeting with the solicitor to redraft the document.

#### **The Old Courthouse**

An application for conservation area consent needs to be submitted for the replacement windows to East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

### **20 Market Place, Pocklington**

Swirlz are in the process of moving to a vacant premise in the town. This will result in 20 Market Place becoming vacant. The Clerk has had 4

expressions of interest for the property. The Clerk will check what the current rental market is like for properties.

8. Future projects to consider for the next financial year.

A discussion took place on the burial rates at Pocklington Cemetery and how quickly the land for burials will be used up. It was agreed to investigate the feasibility of re-using some of the older part of the Cemetery this has been done elsewhere in the country or identifying a new piece of land that could be purchased to create a new cemetery.

It was agreed that new signage for both Queen Elizabeth II Playing Fields, West Green and Pocklington Cemetery is to be included in next year's budget.

9. Site visits to All Saints Churchyard, West Green and Pocklington Cemetery.

Councillors were shown the work agreed for all three of these sites and some of the issues that have arisen that need to be addressed.

In the churchyard the main footpath is to be resurfaced.

Councillors commented on the dry weather and how the grass isn't growing as fast as last year.

On West Green the lack of signage and the dangerous tree which is about to felled were noted.

Meeting closed at 8.41pm