

# Frodsham Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of  
The Community Committee  
held on Tuesday 9 February 2016 at 7pm  
In the Town Council Office, Castle Park, Frodsham



**Present:** Cllrs F Pennington, L Jones, A Oulton, F Sutton and C Ashton.  
H Catt (Town Clerk)

Cllr Pennington took the Chair in the absence of the Chair and Deputy Chair.

No	Item	Note/Decision/ Action
156	<b>Apologies for absence</b>	Cllrs L Brown, C Collins-Doyle, R Knowles and M Pusey
157	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	None
158	<b>Minutes of Meeting 8</b>	The minutes were agreed and signed.
159	<b>Opportunity for Public to Speak</b>	None.
	Cllrs Ashton and Sutton arrived and Cllr Sutton took the Chair.	
160	<b>Cemetery</b>	It was agreed to establish a sub-committee to manage the cemetery. The sub-committee will involve at least 3 Cllrs and other interested residents. <b>TC</b> will email all Cllrs to invite them to join Cllrs Ashton and Pennington on the Sub-committee. <b>TC</b> will draft Terms of Reference. The problem with the water supply to a stand pipe was discussed and it was agreed to get three quotations for the repairs. The need to establish a new area for burials was referred to the new sub-committee.
161	<b>Public Signage (SM)</b>	All the signs are ready for erecting. Those that are replacing existing signs will go up as soon as possible. At the next meeting the siting of the new signs will be discussed and agreed. Putting planters on the boundary signs was discussed and it was agreed that Cllr Ashton would carry out site visits before discussing again at the next meeting.
162	<b>Play Areas (SM)</b>	It was agreed to purchase two toddler swings @ £166.60+VAT each and two new swing chains @ £36+VAT each - <b>EP1</b> .
163	<b>Hedge at St Laurence's Church Car Park</b>	It was agreed to purchase 10 Pyracantha plants to fill gaps in the Churchfield boundary at a cost of up to £42.50+VAT and to purchase and erect a temporary fence (costs approximately £100+VAT) to allow the bushes to grow to fill the gaps - <b>EP2</b> . Cllr Oulton will work with the Facilities Manager.
164	<b>Allotments</b>	Final arrangement for the visit on 14 February needs to be confirmed – <b>TC</b> . Cllrs Ashton, Brown, Collins-Doyle and Sutton plan to attend. Ashton Drive Lease has been completed and the solicitor has presented his bill for £1200+VAT for all the work involved. Clarity is needed about when this was agreed and who signed the lease. <b>TC</b> to research and feed back to a future meeting.
165	<b>Community Pride Competition</b>	It was agreed that we would enter the competition again. We would enter the Best Website and Best Newsletter as well. <b>TC</b> to seek suggestions for other entries from all Cllrs.
166	<b>Councillors Memorials</b>	The current policy is to commemorate ex-Cllrs with a plaque on a bench in their ward. Cllr M Turner has a commemorative tree in the cemetery. It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting for further discussion.

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167	<b>Red Lion Bowling Green Lease</b>	The current draft lease is for 5 years and it was suggested 10 years might be better to save costs all round. TC to research the original agreement about maintenance and the agreement with the Red Lion around allowing the Bowling Club to use their toilet facilities.
168	<b>Manley Road Copse Lease</b>	The lease, who previously offered to purchase the land, has stated they are unable to pay the legal costs involved and have challenged whether they need to anyway. It was agreed that TC would write to them stating that in the interests of Frodsham residents they must either renew the lease or purchase the land, with the legal costs, or FTC would reclaim the land and incorporate it back into the copse.
169	<b>Disabled Access to Memorial</b>	Cllr Pennington had visited the site following the report that access has been restricted and could find no problem.
170	<b>WW1 Commemorative Bench</b>	It was agreed to accept the lowest quote of £360+VAT for the cement plinth. It was noted that the bench has been delivered.
171	<b>Bench on Bradley Lane</b>	It was agreed to replace the bench with either a spare on stored at the cemetery or by purchasing a new recycled plastic one at £299+ delivery +VAT - <b>EP3</b>
172	<b>Telephone boxes</b>	It was agreed to seek references before making the decision. It was noted that the defibrillators have arrived.
173	<b>Lights in Tree</b>	Cllr Oulton will speak to CWAC Tree Officer about the work that needs to be carried out and report back. Another quotation for the work will be sought – <b>TC</b> .
174	<b>Christmas Tree</b>	It was agreed to seek a quotation from Northwich Town Council.
175	<b>Bike Project Expansion Plans</b>	No progress.
176	<b>Flagpole</b>	No progress.
177	<b>Clerk's updates</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>CWAC Play Strategy Workshop</b> – 18 Feb 5pm CWAC HQ, 58 Nicholas Street, Chester. Apologies will be sent as no-one was available at that time.</li> <li><b>Christmas Festival Notes</b> – these were noted.</li> <li><b>Queen's Birthday Working Group</b> – although this had been deferred to Communications they felt it more appropriate to stay with Community but with a joint Working Group. Cllr L Jones is organising a meeting.</li> <li><b>Daffodil Survey</b> – The Scouts (Ron Sayle) have offered to carry out a survey on the main road to Helsby and have been offered 3 bags of daffodils to fill gaps. TC to contact them and thank them.</li> <li><b>Redundant Bus Shelter on Ship Street</b> – Cllr M Poulton had reported that this bus shelter is being used as a public toilet and for other ASB, including drug taking. <b>TC</b> is to get quotations to demolish it and make good the area.</li> </ol>
178	<b>Next meeting</b>	8 March 2016

Meeting finished 9.15pm

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**EP2** - It was agreed to purchase 10 Pyracantha plants at a cost of up to £42.50+VAT and to purchase and erect a temporary fence (costs approximately £100+VAT) to allow the bushes to grow to fill gaps in the Churchfield boundary.

**EP3** - It was agreed to purchasing a new recycled plastic one at £299 + delivery +VAT.

Signed .....

Date .....

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