

Minutes from the **Amenities Committee Meeting** held in Gallery 1, Castle Park Arts Centre, Castle Park, Frodsham, WA6 6SE on **Monday 10th July at 7pm**

Attended by: Cllr Hayes (Chair), Cllr Lofts (Vice Chair), Cllr J Critchley, Cllr Eakin, Cllr Holman, Cllr Lowrie, Cllr Moorcroft, Cllr Sumner

Also attended by: 1 member of the public

Meeting 2

1. Apologies and reasons for absence

To receive apologies and note reasons for absence from members.

NOTED: There were no apologies

2. Declarations of interest

To note any declarations of interest on items which are on the agenda.

NOTED: Cllr Sumner declared an interest in item 7 as a member of Green Gates Community Project.

3. Public participation

Members of the public are invited to speak on items which are on the agenda in accordance with FTC policy on public speaking at meetings: <https://frodsham.gov.uk/policies-procedures/>

NOTED: No member of the public wished to speak.

4. Approval of minutes

To approve and sign the minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 12th June 2023.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed.

5. Actions from the minutes

To note the actions from the meeting held 12th June 2023:

9C	Play inspections	It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Northwich Town Council to consider the SLA and any revisions required to the contract. The meeting is to be attended by Cllrs Lofts, Hayes & J O'Donoghue. obtain quotes for the works required and to set up a rolling programme of works beginning with those assessed with the highest criteria. Town Clerk to forward copy of SLA for grounds maintenance to Cllr Lofts.	Meeting with FTC to take place on 19 th July. Quotes requested. Copy of SLA sent to RL
10c	Cemetery	It was unanimously agreed to accept the lowest tree works quotation at a cost of £2,600 from Northwich Town Council.	Instructed
11b	Ship Street	It was agreed to relocate the noticeboard from outside Frodsham Primary Academy School to Green Gates Park.	Quote requested
11d	Ship Street	The inspections and bins have been added to the SLA.	Completed
12	Allotments	It was unanimously agreed to purchase software from Edge. It was agreed to investigate whether Cheshire West and Chester Council would be prepared to lease/gift a section of Salt Works for use as an additional allotment site	Software instructed. Email sent to Pam Bradley re Saltworks (22/06/23). Meeting arranged 12/07/23
13d	Town Clock	It was agreed to carry out a consultation with residents via social media to ask for suggestions/opinions on re-siting the clock.	Consultation began 4th July to 25th July
13d	Town Clock	Clerk to check whether the town clock is listed.	Completed not listed

NOTED: The actions were noted.

6. Tarvin Road Cemetery

To receive a report from Liz Kenny, Cemetery Clerk.

NOTED: The report was noted.

7. Green Gates Park

(a) To note the condition of the park post installation

NOTED: It was noted that a snagging list is being maintained and that: there is water pooling at the top of the slide when it rains; the grass is extremely long and looks unkempt; there are a couple of dead trees and saplings in the slide area; the tunnel path has eroded and the structure is showing through; the wild flower bags have not grown any plants. These items will be added to the snagging list.

(b) To agree action to be taken

RESOLVED: It was agreed to make no further payments to the contractor until the issues have been addressed. **ACTION: JO**

8. Town Clock

To note that a consultation with residents regarding the position of the clock began on 4th July 2023 with an end date of 25th July 2023: https://frodsham.gov.uk/2023/07/town-clock/?fbclid=IwAR3XgieuhOyHpCJIdqiD_PxacwGbJC5bNzMJCJIHpbU-8thNWxvry156tLU

NOTED: The consultation date was noted and officers will check the Frodsham Town Council Facebook page for comments. It is further noted that the consultation addresses only the issue as to whether the clock should be relocated to another location within the town. There would be no additional cost to relocate. Clerk to seek further quotes. **ACTION: JO**

9. Clerk's report

To receive any additional report

NOTED: Cllr Hayes reported that a request had been received from Cheshire Fire Service to use Crowmere Lake for practice exercises. It was noted that the Clerk had not received the request and agreed that Cllr Hayes would forward details to the Clerk to action and consult with local residents. To be discussed at the next Amenities Committee meeting. **ACTION: HH/JO**

10. Date of next meeting – 14th August 2023

11. Close of meeting – 19:23