

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BECCLES FENLAND CHARITY TRUST HELD ON TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2022 IN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT TOWN HALL

Present

Councillors: Barry Darch (Chair), Graham Catchpole, Richard Stubbings, Colin Hill, Jack Walmsley, Stevie Bubb, Brian Woodruff, Jeff Harris, Ash Lever and Phil Dennington.

In Attendance: Paul Cunningham (Secretary)

Members of the Public: 0

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Gillian Birrell, Jennie Robinson, Daniel Smith, Peggy McGregor and Nathalie Chidley.

2. To receive declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

There were none.

3. To approve the minutes of the Beccles Fenland Charity Trust meeting held on Tuesday 2nd August 2022

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Beccles Fenland Charity Trust meeting held on Tuesday 2nd August 2022.

4. Matters arising from the minutes

Item 3, East Solutions: Secretary reported that Strutt Parker had now been engaged to give a valuation and that their fees would be paid by the developer.

5. To receive the draft minutes of the Development, Commerce & Strategic Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 16th August 2022

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6. To receive the draft minutes of the Assets & Estates Committee meeting held on Tuesday 23rd August 2022

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Cllr Stubbings proposed that the Committee's recommendation to accept the quotation for resurfacing the Common car park at a cost of £16,950 be approved, subject to appointing an independent site supervisor. This was seconded by Cllr Hill, a vote was taken which was in favour and it was therefore

RESOLVED To accept the quotation for resurfacing the Common car park at a cost of £16,950 be approved, subject to appointing an independent site supervisor.

7. To receive the Responsible Financial Officer's Report and agree the payment schedules for August

Councillor Catchpole asked if the refurbishment work on the Harbour Master's office had now been completed and Secretary confirmed that it had been. Cllr Bubb asked about the costs of cleaning the Quay toilets and Secretary noted that this was a seven day per week cleaning contract. Cllr Catchpole asked about the Norse invoice, and whether this was a contract, and Secretary confirmed that a contract was in place for a range of services, including grass cutting and bin emptying.

RESOLVED To receive the Responsible Financial Officer's Report and agree the payment schedules for August 2022.

8. Any Other Business

Cllr Catchpole commented on the absence of some councillors from the meeting, especially Committee Chairs, who he felt were therefore not available for questions on the work of their committee.

9. Date of next meeting Tuesday 4th October 2022 following the Town Council meeting

RESOLVED that the date of the next meeting is confirmed as Tuesday 4th October 2022 in Council Chamber at Town Hall.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

10. To receive the draft confidential minutes of the Assets & Estates Committee meeting held on Thursday 23rd August 2022

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11. To consider the proposed terms for the lease to Beccles Amateur Sailing Club and associated correspondence

This was discussed and a response to the Club was agreed.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.