

**Minutes of the Public Services Committee meeting, Held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022, at 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Skipton**

**Present:** Councillor L Morgan, Councillor C Harbron, Councillor R Heseltine, Councillor C Nash, Councillor P Madeley & Councillor B McDaid

Louise Close – Chief Officer  
Helen Marshall- Finance Manager  
Mark Robinson- Estate Supervisor

**2223/021 Item 1 – Chairman’s Remarks**

Councillor Morgan (Vice Chairman of the Committee) welcomed everyone to the meeting

**2223/022 Item 2 - Apologies for Absence**

Apologies accepted from Councillor McIntyre who had a prior engagement – Accepted  
Councillors Courcier and Judge were not in attendance and reasons for absence were not submitted.

**2223/023 Item 3 – Disclosures of Interest**

None received

**2223/024 Item 4 – Dispensations**

None requested

**2223/025 Item 5 – Representations from public**

Members of the public were not present

**2223/026 Item 6 – Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2022 be a true and accurate record.

Under SO1a, The Chairman of the meeting moved Item number 13 to this part of the meeting.

**2223/027 Item 13- Road Sweeper**

Councillor P Madeley presented his proposal for the Council to purchase a road sweeper to be used for the town. It was asked if the cost of this item is being used from Capital reserves or Revenue. Councillor B McDaid asked if a trial could be a possibility to see how feasible the project would be.

Councillor Madeley proposed that he would like the support of the Committee to move forward and look in more detail at the project and feasibility, which might take until the New Year.

**RESOLVED** – (4 votes in favour, 1 abstention and 1 against)

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- 2223/028      Item 7- Budget**  
The budget document was received and noted.  
The code number 4330 was asked to be clarified in more detail.
- 2223/029      Item 8 - Allotment Measuring**  
**RESOLVED** to move forward with the quotation given by Pear Technology for the mapping of the Allotment plots. *(4 in favour)*
- 2223/030      Item 9 -Allotment Update**  
Members received and noted the Allotment Update
- 2223/031      Item 10- Church Wall**  
The report and recommendations from the Contractor were circulated to members. Councillor Heseltine advised that he believed the wall has moved and the issue could have been resolved years ago. Councillor Morgan asked if it would be helpful to look through the historical paperwork to try and find a way forward. Councillor Heseltine and Nash asked for a document to be presented at the next meeting from the Chief Officer with options that are available.
- 2223/032      Item 11- Fairtrade Signage**  
**RESOLVED** to move forward with the purchase and installation of the Fairtrade Signs.
- 2223/033      Item 12- War Memorial**  
**RESOLVED** to approve the remaining cost to be put to the War memorial Grant and to move ahead with the professional cleaning of it.
- 2223/034      Item 14- Grass Cutting**  
**RESOLVED** to continue with the current arrangements for grass cutting and not to opt out of cutting NYCC visibility grass. *(unanimous)*
- 2223/035      Item 15- Park Inspections**  
The ROSPA park inspection report was received and noted.
- 2223/036      Item 16 – Park Strategy**  
**RESOLVED** that Councillor C Nash would work with the Chief Officer and the Estates Supervisor to develop a park strategy to present to the Committee. *(unanimous)*
- 2223/037      Item 17- Street Lighting**  
Proposed by Councillor Nash to ask the residents of Harewood Road to either contribute to the cost of changing the lights to LED or it would be removed. **RESOLVED** *(unanimously)*  
The Chief Officer confirmed that she would circulate pictures of the street lights for Providence place so Councillor Nash could confirm some more that she would like changed or moved.

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**Item 18 – Notification of Business for Future Agendas**

The Clerk should be given seven clear days' notice of items for the agenda

The meeting closed at 19.39pm  
Date of next meeting – 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022