



MINUTES OF THE OF KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE TOLLER
CHURCH ROOMS, KETTERING AT 7PM ON 1st MARCH 2023

Councillors Present: Cllr Mark Rowley (Chair)
Cllrs Lloyd Bunday, Robin Carter, Maggie Don, Scott
Edwards, Emily Fedorowycz and Craig Skinner

Officers present:- Martin Hammond, Town Clerk

No members of the public/press attended.

Item Number	Description
FC22/070	Apologies for absence None
FC22/071	Declarations of interest None declared
FC22/072	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 25 th January 2023 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the chair
FC22/073	Love Wildlife competition A report was considered which presented the various application for grant received under the <i>Love Wildlife</i> Competition, the closing date for which has passed on Sunday 26 th February. A total of thirteen applications had been received, one of which was ineligible as it related to expenditure outside Kettering. A schedule of all the applications had been circulated to members on Monday, 27 th February, updating the list included when the agenda was published. The applications comprised <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 6 bids for the £1000 prize and- 6 bids for the £200 prizes. Members were aware that in the 2022/3 year, there was £3000 available. After extensive debate it was

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	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the following grants be offered:-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="587 302 1385 974"> <tr> <td>Southfield School for Girls</td> <td>£1000</td> <td>School pond</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Isebrook School</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Enhance Woodland and Wetland Ecosystems</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bishop Stopford School</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Develop outdoor space</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ise Valley Scout Group</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Develop wildlife garden</td> </tr> <tr> <td>South End Allotment Assoc</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Develop nesting bird habitats</td> </tr> <tr> <td>South End Allotment Assoc</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Create night garden for moths and bats</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grow Wild CIC</td> <td>£200</td> <td>Clean up River Ise</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C2C Social Action</td> <td>£400</td> <td>Create a horticultural therapy space</td> </tr> <tr> <td>William St Community Garden</td> <td>£400</td> <td>Develop the community garden</td> </tr> </table> <p>b) that unsuccessful applicants be directed towards the other grant making routes that the Town Council had available</p>	Southfield School for Girls	£1000	School pond	Isebrook School	£200	Enhance Woodland and Wetland Ecosystems	Bishop Stopford School	£200	Develop outdoor space	Ise Valley Scout Group	£200	Develop wildlife garden	South End Allotment Assoc	£200	Develop nesting bird habitats	South End Allotment Assoc	£200	Create night garden for moths and bats	Grow Wild CIC	£200	Clean up River Ise	C2C Social Action	£400	Create a horticultural therapy space	William St Community Garden	£400	Develop the community garden
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<p>FC22/074</p>	<p>Climate change report</p> <p>A report was submitted setting out recent activity on climate change mitigation. Members discussed their priorities for 2023/24 and</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>a) the Love Wildlife Competition be re-run later in the year</p> <p>b) that the idea of community nature reserve be explored and a report on options be submitted to a future meeting</p> <p>c) the Town council purchase and lend out to schools air quality monitors for them to support lessons and establish air quality patterns around schools.</p>																											
<p>FC22/075</p>	<p>Monitoring of the Corporate Plan</p> <p>The committee received a report on progress against the action plan within the 22/23 corporate plan. Updates on most items were made verbally.</p>																											

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	<p>Members agreed to ask NNC to revisit its decision not to empty recycling bins provided by the Town Council in the town centre.</p> <p>It was noted, that, with the growth of the Town Council, a number of HR policies would need to be developed and the appropriate arrangements put in place. The clerk would progress those policies in the next few months.</p>
FC22/076	<p>Budget Monitoring and Invoices</p> <p>The financial position as at 22nd February 2023 was submitted, showing payments made in the last month and the overall budgetary position. Expected budget variances were highlighted and noted.</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) The report be notedb) The following payments be approved<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Knights and Hyde £43.95 plus VAT - printer cartridge- Corby Fencing £1050 – repair South End allotment fencec) The clerk be authorised to acquire a public address system for meetings
	Meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed.....

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