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Mr Kevin Martin
Clerk to the Council

Notes from Finance and Assets Panel meeting held on 29th August 2017 at 11am

Present: Cllrs Charlesworth (Lead), Graves, Shanahan-Kluth, Allan, Fernandes and Suiter

Also Present: Cllr J Mathieson and the Clerk

Apologies: Cllr H Lorimer

The Panel Lead welcomed all and reminded everyone that the meeting was being audio recorded

1. The notes from the last meeting were noted
2. Public Toilets - the Panel noted NKDC's response regarding public toilets generally and specifically Money's Yard.

Agreed: The Panel asked the Clerk to review possible alternatives for public toilets: as they, through the Town Council, would want to continue to provide facilities in the town. The Clerk was also asked to contact district councils in Lincolnshire to see what they do as regards the provision of public toilets

3. S106 monies – The Panel would like to be able to access any funds held by NKDC for use at George Street and Castlefield. The Panel also asked for clarification on any restriction (English Heritage) that may apply to Castlefield.

Agreed: Cllr Suiter: to look at Tamar Court to assess its present condition. The Clerk to make enquiries regarding the possibility of siting play equipment at Castlefield

4. Cemetery

Recommendation – Council is requested to approve changes adjacent the internal gate on the Cemetery drive to provide pedestrian and disabled access at a cost of £3,495 plus VAT

Agreed: The Clerk to contact NKDC to ask if they can assist with a brief for work to the Cemetery driveway

5. **Open Spaces** – the Panel acknowledged that a number of sites needed investment both in terms of equipment but probably more so in relation to fencing. The three Open Spaces visited are: Woodside; George Street and Boston Road. Fencing at Woodside (Summerfield) and at George Street had been noted. This would be considered as part of a five-year investment programme (see next item)

6. Medium Term Financial Planning – the Panel discussed a wide range of issues
Agreed: To meet on Tuesday 19th September 2017 at 11 am to formulate a 5-year capital plan
7. Civic Regalia – **Agreed:** The Clerk is requested to look at gender aspects of the current chains
8. Town Hall Refurbishment, Councillors Allowances, Cemetery and Eastgate Car Park – the Clerk updated the Panel on these items
9. Next agenda – to include External Funding, Town Hall Refurbishment, Street Furniture and a 5 year plan
10. Next meeting – Tuesday 26th September 2017 at 11 am

The meeting closed at 12.45 pm.