

DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

25th March 2025

At a meeting of the **Markets & Buildings Committee** held at the Memorial Hall on **Tuesday 25th March 2025** upon the rising of the Social & Welfare Committee meeting.

Present: Councillors S Green (Chairman), C Coleman, H King, L Monument and R O'Callaghan

Also present: Councillors P Duigan, Z Flint, R Jamieson and P Morton, Town Clerk A Needham and Deputy Town Clerk J Barron.

1. **To receive apologies for absence.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor H Clarke.

2. **Declaration of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. **To consider allocating additional budget to repair brick shed near to Lodge.**

The committee requested that the Town Clerk speak to the Historic Buildings officer to see if he thought that permission would be granted to demolish the brick shed, also to gather costings for the demolition and removal of the shed. This item then be brought to April Full Council.

4. **To consider a request for funding for safer street wardens.**

The committee requested that more information be sought with regards to the following:

- What training are the wardens given and by whom
- Who do the wardens liaise with and how
- How much time and how many wardens would be allocated to Dereham
- Evidence that this has reduced antisocial behaviour

The committee requested that the Norfolk Police and Crime Commissioner, Sarah Taylor be invited to attend a Full Council meeting to answer questions regarding safer street wardens.

5. **To discuss possible future management of car parks.**

The committee discussed the possible future management of car parks but did not form any conclusions.

6. **Exclusion of press and public**

Proposed by Councillor S Green, it was agreed to pass a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the meeting on the grounds that the Business to be transacted is confidential and publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

7. **To consider letting conditions for the Cemetery Lodge.**

The committee recommended that the Town Council ask the estate agent to draw up a criteria for the letting conditions for the Cemetery Lodge to ensure that any tenant appreciates and is sympathetic to its unique location.

Chairman