

DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

27th April 2021

At a virtual meeting of the Social & Welfare Committee held at 7pm on **Tuesday 27th April 2021**.

Present: Councillors H King (Chairman), H Clarke, S Green and T Monument.

Also present: Councillors P Duigan, P Morton, K Cogman and L Monument, Rhona Fleming (Jeremy Stacey Architects), Tony Needham Town Clerk and Jillian Barron Deputy Town Clerk.

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

There were no apologies for absence.

2. **Declaration of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interest.

3 **To elect a Chairman.**

Councillor S Green proposed Councillor H King, seconded by Councillor H Clarke. There were no other nominations, it was agreed that Councillor H King be Chairman of the Social & Welfare Committee.

4. **To elect a Vice Chairman.**

Councillor H King Proposed Councillor S Green, seconded by Councillor H Clarke. There were no other nominations, it was agreed that Councillor S Green be Vice Chairman of the Social & Welfare Committee.

5. **To consider the flying of flags.**

The committee discussed the possibility of flying the Union Flag every day and agreed it would then be difficult to mark special days such as the Queens birthday.

The committee recommended that the Town Clerk look into the feasibility of having a flag pole on the newer part of the Assembly Rooms when a Union Flag could be flown on a daily basis, leaving the two flag poles by the War Memorial for flags to be flown on special occasions.

The committee recommended that the Town Council purchase a Norfolk Flag and add Norfolk Day to the list of flag flying days.

6. **To consider refurbishment of Cemetery Lodge.**

Rhona Fleming from Jeremy Stacey Architects addressed the meeting explaining that the refurbishment of the Cemetery Lodge would be carried out on the original footprint which is not what is in place at the moment as the building has been extended more than is apparent from initial inspections.

There are three options available:

- 1 bedroom – 2 person
- 2 bedroom – 3 person
- 3 bedroom – 4 person.

The committee were advised as to what each option entailed, while it was felt that the 3 bedroom provided a better solution, there was concern whether the location would appeal to a family.

The committee recommended that the Town Clerk seek advice from letting agents as to whether the location would deter families and therefore reduce the potential for letting a 3 bedroom property.

Chairman