



WISBECH TOWN COUNCIL

WISBECH TOWN CENTRE COMMITTEE

22 MAY 2023 – 8.49 pm

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Councillor Tierney, Chairman; Councillors Foice-Beard, Hoy, Oliver, Rafique, Sagoo and Wallwork.

Apologies: None (all members were present).

Public Participation: None requested.

T1/23 Election of Chairman

On the proposal of Councillor Hoy, seconded by Councillor Oliver, it was decided that Councillor Tierney be elected as Chairman of the Wisbech Town Centre Committee for the municipal year 2023/24.

T2/23 Election of Vice-Chairman

On the proposal of Councillor Tierney, seconded by Councillor Wallwork, it was decided that Councillor Rafique be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Wisbech Town Centre Committee for the municipal year 2023/24.

T3/23 Wisbech Castle

Further to minute T25/22, members considered the current situation regarding the central heating system at Wisbech Castle.

Members were informed by the Clerk (and Responsible Finance Officer) that, in accordance with minute T25/22, a new central heating boiler had been installed at Wisbech Castle and that it is operating effectively. However, during the installation work, the contractor had discovered that two of the radiators at Wisbech Castle are cracked and are, consequently, unable to be used.

The Clerk reminded members that, when accepting the quotation, at minute T25/22, this committee had expressed the hope that the installation of a new central heating boiler alone would be sufficient to achieve effective heating at Wisbech Castle but acknowledged that additional works may be needed, such as upgrading some radiators, but that this would not be known until the impact of installing a new boiler could be assessed.

The Clerk reported that he had obtained a quotation, from the contractor who had installed the new central heating boiler, for the provision and installation of two new radiators, plus some associated work. Members considered the quotation, noting the two options for radiator replacement, as well as the associated works recommended by the contractor. Members are of the opinion that there could be some scope to achieve a reduction in the cost quoted by the contractor.



Members decided, unanimously, on the proposal of Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Hoy, that

- (1) the quotation submitted by AJ Build Property Maintenance and Renovations Ltd, in the maximum sum of £1,120.00 (plus VAT), for the additional central heating works at Wisbech Castle be accepted;
- (2) the Clerk (and RFO) be authorised to negotiate with the contractor a price for the works.

(Members resolved to exclude the public for this item of business on the grounds that it involved the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972)

Meeting finished at 8.55 pm.

Signed.....

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