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## Amenities Committee Tuesday 10 April 2018 Minutes

**Attendees: Cllrs Lusty, C and E Elsmore, Cox, Thompson, Allaway-Martin and Penny**

**The meeting started at 7:15pm due to an extended Planning Committee meeting.**

1. Apologies were noted from Cllrs Kay and Holloway
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. There were no dispensations requests.
4. The minutes of 13 March were noted.
5. **To receive an update on the works in the cemetery**  
Cllr Lusty updated the committee as follows:
  - The works in the Natural Burial Ground were complete
  - The felling of the large trees was to be postponed until August due to adverse weather but the contractor has confirmed the price quoted will be honoured
  - The committee to consider if one of the large trunks should be left in situ for a possible wood carving/sculpture.
  - The Irish Yews need some work to 'tie them in' – Cllr Lusty will establish if grant funding is available for this purpose.
  - It was also reported that Cllrs Penny and Lusty had met with a parishioner at the cemetery to discuss the planned removal of the stone surround on a family grave.
6. **To receive an update on maintenance works at King George V Recreation Ground and pavilion**  
It was reported that FES are working their way through the agreed list of items to be addressed.
7. **To receive an update on the grit bin audit**  
A number of councillors have commenced the process of located grit bins around the parish. When each area is complete councillors should send the information to the acting Clerk who will liaise with Cllr Cox to plot via Parish Online. It was suggested that all bins should display a number that corresponds to the map. Information to be reviewed during May meeting as recommendation for additional bins should be addressed at May's Public Safety meeting.
8. **To receive an update on tree works in the parish**  
Cllr Lusty informed the meeting that the planned works on Old Station Way were now underway. There has been a complaint regarding a potentially unsafe tree on the Stepbridge Estate which has been inspected and believed to present no immediate risk to persons or property. The suggestion is that a longer term plan be considered to address this issue and review the planting on the estate.
9. **To review play areas in the Parish**  
Members were reminded by Cllr Lusty that the annual parish inspection had not been carried out and should be completed as soon as possible. On this walkabout members were encouraged to start looking at the age and condition of the play equipment with a view



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of building any necessary works into the 4 year plan. Cllr Cox offered to plot all council owned play equipment onto Parish Online.

**The meeting closed at 7:45pm**