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These are the minutes of the Amenities Committee on Wednesday 16th November 2022 at 7.45pm in the Old School Hall. Members of the press and public are welcome to attend.

		Legal Power/ Budget Heading
1	Apologies for absence - none	
2	Minutes of last meeting dated – 5 th October 2022 – all approved	
3	Matters arising from previous minutes – none	
4	Members Declaration of Interest for agenda items - none	
Public Forum: If residents of Sawtry wish to speak on any item on the agenda (max 3 mins) the meeting will be suspended for a 10 minute open forum. If you wish to speak, please inform the Clerk or the Chairman at least 24 hours before the meeting.		
5	Allotments – Lead Councillor – Cllr White 5.1 Update – nothing to add Clerk noted all unkempt plots have been offered to new tenants	Smallholdings and Allotments Act 1908
6	Green Spaces – Cllr White - no updates as unable to get any responses from HDC 6.1 Funded Pond conservation project. – Cllr Potter no updates	Open Spaces Act 1906
7	Play Areas – Lead Councillor – Cllr Whittaker Has been highlighted that the children’s igloo hasn’t been painted as of yet, the clerk advised was part of the painting project with the youth shelter that has been delayed and will chase the company. All other areas are looking good with no issues	LGA 1972
8	Cemeteries – Lead Councillor – Cllr Tuplin has requested that the hedges around St Andrews to be trimmed back, the clerk will obtain a quotation War grave discovered at All Saints, clerk to contact Commonwealth war memorial society. Cllr Morgan has looked into the grave details and contacted the RAF for information, will continue looking into. 8.1 Update on St Andrews drainage – Spirotech/Midlevel drainage board. Cllr Gadsby advised he still hasn’t been able to get hold of MTC engineering and has given the clerk contact details to chase.	LGA 1972
9	Benches/Bus Shelters – Cllr White The computer screen by the bus shelter on the green has now been repaired. Regarding the bus shelter on the green Cllr White requested to replace the guttering, The clerk advised we had looked into replacing but each time it’s been replaced in the past, its been pulled off or damaged straight away, so would be better waiting until we install some CCTV on the green. The current bus shelter looking at obtaining quotes to remove some bricks to create a window and to fix some bars in, Clerk to obtain quotation	LGA 1953
10	Traditional Red K6 Telephone box sited on Fen lane with defibrillator – Cllr	

	Mulcrone – Planning application submitted, awaiting details from HDC – No update	
11	Working Party - Accessibility around the village – Cllr Bingham 11.1 Update – have currently had 2 meetings to discuss available budgets, they have 1 resident who has joined the committee and they are planning on reaching out to the community, Cllr Martin happy to support this.	
12	Youth Shelter - The clerk has previously sent out the 3 options available to the council as per CAPALC. Cllr Mulcrone proposed to remove the shelter and to re site at Greenfield. Clerk to obtain a quotation and report back at next Full Council	
13	Budget 2023/24 – To bring budget requirements to the F&GP meeting 23 rd November 2022	
14	5 Year plan – to identify Medium to long term projects – to bring plans to the F&GP meeting 23 rd November 2022	
15	Date of next meeting –TBA	

Steve Browning

Clerk to the Council/Proper Officer

Committee: Cllr Rose (Chairman)Gadsby, Mulcrone, Potter, Sanderson, Tuplin, White, Whittaker, Bingham