

of the existing hedge be levelled which could then be used to accommodate up to fifteen additional grave plots on A section. This was unanimously agreed.

4.2.3 Disposal of Funeral bier

The Foreman advised that he had explored every avenue with regard to disposing of the Funeral bier to local Museums but that no-one was willing to take it. The Foreman advised that it was taking up considerable room in the very limited space they had available and that they could find no use for it. Cllr Celino offered to ask if the Shambles Retail Village would like to have it in their Courtyard where it could possibly for display purposes. This was agreed.

4.2.4 Transport of Council boat

It was agreed to purchase an electric winch for the transport of the Council boat on and off the Council vehicle. It was proposed and agreed that in addition scaffold poles be used to assist in the leverage of the boat.

4.2.5 Any Other Business

The Clerk advised that she had very recently received a letter from a lady whose dog had been injured by a discarded fishing hook at the Lake which had become embedded in its paw and the dog had had to receive veterinary treatment. It was agreed to make the Fishing Clubs aware of this incident and to request care is taken in this regard. It was acknowledged however that this incident was not necessarily connected with the Fishing Clubs whose Members fished at the Lake as the Lake was of course open to individuals of the parish to fish.

This concluded the business of the meeting and it was declared closed at 9.35 pm.

NEWENT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee held on Monday 25 July 2011 at the Market House, Newent at 8.55 pm.

Present: Cllr E Wood (Chairman), Cllr B Wellington, Cllr L Lawton, Cllr Mrs K Draper, Cllr A Parsons, Cllr R Beard

Apologies: Cllr S Barker

4.00 Chairman's Announcements

4.1 Correspondence

4.1.1 Mrs E Seaton, 71 Lakeside, Newent – adjacent Oak tree

Further letter from Mrs Seaton objecting to the Committee's decision regarding the lopping of branches from the tree. Members agreed that this matter should not be revisited for a period of six months as agreed in Standing Orders. However they agreed to look at the tree when they undertook a walkabout in the town during the Summer recess.

4.1.2 Ms G James – proposed purchase of further display cabinet for Market House

The Clerk advised that Ms James who was the Chair of the Market House Stewards had put forward a request for the purchase of a small additional cabinet for displaying local finds that had been donated by the public in the Market House. She anticipated a modest expenditure of approximately £20.00.

Members unanimously agreed to the additional purchase and that a sum to be spent up to a figure of £50.00.

4.2 Business

4.2.1 Tree clearance at far end of Lake

Following previous comments made regarding mulching undertaken following tree clearance at the Lake, Cllr Barker who was not present at the meeting had forwarded a comment via the Clerk that he had visited the area and believed that it was very much as he would have expected given the specification quotation provided. He thought that the site was now suitable for path creation. In this regard Members agreed to look at the site on the forthcoming Council Walkabout

4.2.2 Foreman's Work report

The Foreman put forward his Work report including a recommendation that an area of land between the existing Cemetery and Cemetery extension in the line