



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Property Committee
Wednesday 16 November 2022 at 7.30pm**

Present

Cllrs Barry Barnes (in the chair), Philip Day, Dave Homer, Roy Margetts and Steve Thomas.

In Attendance

G Burt, Clerk to the Council

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Cllr Barry Barnes was elected to chair the meeting.

42/22 Chairman's Announcements.

The Chairman

- a. Advised that the meeting was being streamed to the internet.
- b. Asked Members to raise their hands if they wished to speak and speak clearly.

43/22 Apologies.

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Paul Berry, Craig Gale and Sandy Duck - prior engagements. On the proposal of Cllr Barry Barnes, seconded by Cllr Dave Homer, **RESOLVED** that the apologies and reasons given be accepted.

44/22 Declarations of Interest and Notification of Changes to Members' Interests.

None.

45/22 Minutes.

On the proposal of Cllr Roy Margetts, seconded by Cllr Dave Homer, **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 6 October 2022, previously circulated, be accepted and signed as a true record by the Chairman of the meeting.

46/22 Matters Arising.

None.

47/22 Public Session.

None.

48/22 To consider tenders received for the provision of grounds maintenance and seasonal bedding services from 2023 onwards.

The Council had invited tenders for the provision of grounds maintenance and seasonal bedding services from 2023 onwards; the decision had been previously made to extend the contracts period from 3 to 5 years. Two tenders had been received for each contract and had been opened in the presence of the Chairman and Vice Chair of the Committee.

For the grounds maintenance contract, the tenders were as follows.

Sussex Land Services	£26,978 p.a.
Josh Flynn Gardening Services	£36,892.14 p.a.

Both tenders were detailed and comprehensive. On the proposal of Cllr Barry Barnes, seconded by Cllr Steve Thomas, **RESOLVED** that Sussex Land Services be appointed to undertake grounds maintenance services from April 2023 for five years accordingly.

Consideration of the tenders for the provision of seasonal bedding services was **DEFERRED** pending further information.

49/22 To receive property updates for information only.

NOTED. The Committee's usual thanks to officers for their endeavours were noted. In response to a question from Cllr Dave Homer, the Clerk advised that the possibility of a replacement water pipe at Lower Station Road Recreation Ground (LSRRG) was still being considered (with others) and a report would come back to Members in due course.

50/22 Any other matters for information only.

None.

51/22 Date of Next Meeting: 11 January 2023.

The meeting finished at 7.53pm.

Chairman

Date