**Uppingham Town Council, Minutes of the Amenities Committee – 12th October 2021 (**Meeting commenced at 7pm)

1. **Attendance register and apologies for absence:
Present:** Miranda Jones (Chair), Peter Rees, Cornelius Vincent-Enright, Richard Reeve, Liz Clarke. Kellie Sabin, Assistant Clerk was also present. **Apologies:** David Casewell, Tom Johnson, Charlie Pallett, Steve Rozak.
2. **Declaration of Members Interests and Requests for Dispensation:** None received.
3. **Minutes of the Amenities Committee held on 15th September 2021
Resolution:** It was proposed by Peter Rees, seconded by Cornelius Vincent-Enright and unanimously agreed that these be approved.
4. **An opportunity for the public to speak.**  None present
5. **To consider contractor fee proposals for the paths and lighting project at Tod’s Piece Resolution:** Miranda Jones proposed that quotations from Sovereign Construction Group Ltd. numbers 961 and 963, be submitted to Full Council for consideration.Seconded by Cornelius Vincent-Enright and unanimously agreed. **Action:** Clerk’s Office undertake consultation with householders whose properties boarder Tod’ Piece.
6. **To consider contractor fee proposals for Baines and Dairy Corner improvement projects. Resolution:** It was proposed by Miranda Jones, seconded by Liz Clarke and unanimously agreed that Full Council consider the acquisition, or not, of Baines Corner.
7. **To receive an update on the Changing Places funding/Market Place toilet project.** There is no further update since the recent Full Council report on this project.
8. **Receive an update on Town Hall maintenance.** The Town Clerk is working on a list of maintenance requirements for the Town Hall**. Action**: Miranda Jones with meet with the Clerk at the end of October to discuss this.
9. **Receive an update on the Welcome Back funding.** The shop locally in Uppingham campaign is now running on local radio stations and advertisements will be appearing in local press until Christmas. Four new picnic tables will be installed on Tod’s Piece. **Resolution:** Richard Reeve proposed that the quote for fitting the picnic tables from Sovereign Constriction Group Ltd. be accepted and the purchase of barriers and electronic signposts be deferred until the next financial year. Seconded by Peter Rees and unanimously agreed.
10. **Receive an update from Uppingham In Bloom.** Miranda Jones informed the committee that Uppingham In Bloom has received Gold and Best Small Town Award, The Falcon Hotel has received Best Hotel Garden Award and the Uppingham Tree Trail won the Judges Award. The committee expressed its thanks to Uppingham In Bloom for all their hard work and congratulations on a great result. **Action:** A meeting between the Clerk, Miranda Jones, Liz Clarke and Uppingham In Bloom to discuss plans for the Platinum Jubilee planting scheme.

**The meeting closed at 7.37pm**