

Broadstairs & St Peter's Town Council

ENVIRONMENT SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday 25th January 2023 6PM via Zoom

Present: Chair Cllr B. Bayford, Cllrs R Binks, M Garner, R Bailey, R.K Binks, Dexter. Tree Warden: K McKenzie Town Clerk: Mrs K Holroyd Civic & Support officer: Miss A Barton

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were accepted for Cllr Moore. Cllrs Dexter and Buckley were absent.

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

33. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Members received the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd November 2022. **RESOLVED: That the minutes are a true record and can be signed by the chairman at the next meeting.**

34. MATTERS ARISING None

35. RECYCLING AND DONATION INFORMATION LEAFLET

Members received the Broadstairs recycling and donation information leaflet created by the Civic and Support Officer in line with action plan item 3. Improving the built environment -Recycling. It is to be noted that this document was well received.

RESOLVED: It was agreed that the information leaflet is approved and can be shared on all Town Council media platforms once Cllr Ruth Bailey has sent additional locations Civic and Support officer.

36. BROADSTAIRS IN BLOOM - Tender

After the agreed actions at the last environmental sub-committee meeting, ClIr Bayford and the Civic and Support Officer met with Youngs Nurseries on 13th December 2022 to discuss their tender documents and to amend errors. After this meeting, new amended documents were sent to The Council. Members of the sub-committee received these amended tender documents. Members looked through all items received by Youngs Nurseries with added calculations supplied from the Town Clerk and Civic Support officer, it was decided this tender is to be approved and the contract for In bloom is to be given to Youngs Nurseries for the years 2023 to 2025. **RESOLVED:** The Civic & Support officer will contact Youngs Nurseries is to Contact Youngs Nurseries to confirm they have won the In Bloom contract for 2023-2025.

37. LAND ADJACENT TO BROMSTONE ROUNDABOUT

The Civic and Support Officer reported that she had been in contact with Riverside Housing regarding a proposal to take over the land adjacent to Bromestone Roundabout. It was noted that Riverside had given the Officer mixed signals with the future of the land and had retracted their previous offer. This was later changed by Riverside who then asked for the Town Council to write an in-depth proposal to take over the land and include a security plan to avoid anti-social behaviour and potential fly tipping. It was mentioned by ClIr Garner that the land has gained interest from the neighbouring school and community groups to maintain the land. After extensive discussions it was agreed that the Environmental Sub-Committee would hold back on any decisions until the new Civic year. **RESOLVED: That the new formed Council is to continue this project in May as a decision is yet to be made.**

38. TAPS AND DRINKING WATER FOUNTAINS- TDC PROJECT

The Town Clerk addressed members with the potential of a joint Broadstairs & St. Peter's Town Council and TDC Taps and Drinking water fountains project for the bays in Broadstairs. After extensive discussions it was agreed that the Council would support this project in principle however more information is required before the Town Council is to pledge any funding. **RESOLVED:**

- i. It was agreed that this Project is supported by the Town Council in Principle.
- ii. The Town Clerk is to contact Lisa Collingwood of TDC for a proposal and further details with the intention of attending a future meeting.

39. SWIFT BOX

i) Members received an update from the volunteer Tree Warden, Karen McKenzie who proposed that the Town Council is to purchase 5 Swift Boxes from a member of the RSPB to be erected on Dane Court Grammar school.

ii) Members also received documents from the Civic and Support Officer including a 1 mile radius map around Culmers amenity land and wooden swift houses that would be more suited for residential use due to the RSPBs provided instructions.

RESOLVED:

i. It was agreed by members that swift boxes for Dane Court can be purchased once the price has been confirmed by the RSPB. The Town Clerk is to contact the Operations Officer to negotiate the erection of the swift boxes on Dane Court school. ii. It was agreed by all members that a the Civic & Support Officer will create a social media campaign for members of the public to reach out if they have a location on their property for a swift box in 1 mile radius of Culmer's Amenity Land. Members agreed to the purchase of 6 RSPB standard Swift Boxes for residents.

40. GRAFFITI

After extensive discussions it was agreed by all members that this matter is to be taken make to Full Council.

RESOLVED: That the Graffiti Task Force is to set up a meeting and report back to Full Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 6pm Wednesday 29th March 2023 in 41. Person-location to be decided.

Meeting closed at 18:44pm

Signed_____ Date_____