



Broadstairs & St Peter's Town Council

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

Wednesday 5th July 2023 Pierremont Hall Council Chamber 10am

Present: Chair Cllr Joanne Bright, vice chair Cllr Kevin Pressland, Cllr Charlie Leys, Cllr Paul Moore,
Civic & Support Officer: Ms. A Barton
Volunteer Tree Warden: Ms. K McKenzie
1 Member of the public.

50. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2023/24

Councillor Bright proposed themselves as chair of the committee.
Councillor Pressland seconded that motion.
Councillor Bright nominated Kevin as Vice chair, councillor Pressland seconded this motion.

RESOLVED:

Following a vote, Councillor Joanne Bright was elected Chair and Councillor Kevin Pressland was elected Vice chair of the Environmental Committee for the Civic Year 23/24.

51. OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY

To remind those present of the following:
The right to record, film or broadcast any meetings of the Council, committees and subcommittees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

52. APOLOGIES AND WELCOME

Apologies were given and accepted for Councillors Colin Kemp and Steve Roberts.

53. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

54. TERMS OF REFERENCE

All members received the draft Terms of Reference and AGREED their APPROVAL with the amendment that the following be added under 'Procedures'

- *The quorum for the committee shall be three. Business cannot be transacted with fewer than three voting members present.*

It was also noted that Councillors would like to keep the bi-monthly meeting however, location and time of the scheduled meetings is to be changed.

RESOLVED:

- i) The Terms of Reference will go to the next Full Council meeting for final APPROVAL.**

- ii) The Civic and support Officer is to arrange a new location for the scheduled meetings ahead with the changed time to 6pm**

55. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 29th March 2023. were RECEIVED and APPROVED.

Proposed Cllr P Moore , seconded. J. Bright, agreed.

56. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE IN THE AGENDA

None.

57. Environmental Committee Projects Report

All members received and ACKNOWLEDGED the environmental committee report. It was AGREED by all members that this document is for Councillor use and not to be shared on the Town Council Website.

58. Environmental Action Plan

All members RECEIVED the Environmental Action Plan to review for the Civic Year of 23/24.

RESOLVED:

- i) It was AGREED by all members that they are to review the Action Plan on leave of this committee meeting and report their suggestions for amendment at the next meeting scheduled for 27th September 2023.**
- ii) It was AGREED by all members that the discussion regarding Action plan Point 2-memoral menu would be deferred until the next meeting.**

59. TREE PLANTING

Members received an update from the Civic and Support Officer regarding Osborn Road tree planting and pricing document supplied by KCC.

After extensive discussions it was Agreed that the tree planning Project with KCC will go ahead as a collaboration with local community group, Broadstairs Town Team. Creating a green space with wildflower meadow for community use.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Civic and Support Officer is to Contact KCC to inform them that the Town Council Would like to proceed with planting Two Trees on the Osborne Road.**
- ii) The Volunteer Tree warden Karen McKenzie and Cllr Pressland are to ADVISE and RECOMMEND the appropriate tree for planting and to report back to The Civic and Support Officer to then inform KCC.**
- iii) The Civic and Support officer is to Contact KCC Councillor Rosalind Binks to inquire about the land for use of a wildflower meadow and for planters to be installed on the concreated areas of the land.**
- iv) Once the trees have been installed, 'Water Me' signs are to be erected to encourage the local community to water the saplings.**

The following item was discussed after a resolution to exclude the public understanding order 3d due to the confidential nature of the business.

60. BROADSTAIRS IN BLOOM

An update from the Civic and support Officer was RECEIVED regarding the following:

- Broadstairs in Bloom Grants given to Community groups, organisation, and schools.
- Broadstairs in Bloom Business Baskets.
- Broadstairs in bloom Tender.

RESOLVED:

- i) After extensive discussions it was AGREED that a copy of the current tender is to be sent to members to discuss at the next meeting.**
- ii) It was AGREED by all members that the budget not being used for the In Bloom Tender is to be used for other projects including higher grants for Community Groups.**

Members of the public were permitted to re-enter the meeting.

61. TAPS & OUTLETS PROJECT

Members RECEIVED and DISCUSSED the report supplied by the Town Clerk at the past Environmental meeting on 25th January 2023.

A verbal update was RECEIVED from the Civic & Support Officer regarding this project so far.

RESOLVED:

- i) It was AGREED by all members that the Town Council will pledge a total of £2500 to 5 locations for to the use of community outlets.**
- ii) It was AGREED by all members that the preferred location of the outlets would be, St. Peter's recreation Ground, Rec skatepark, Victoria Gardens, Pierremont Hall and The Promenade.**
- iii) The Civic & Support Officer is to contact Project Lead and TDC Officer Lisa Collingwood to inform her of the decided pledge and to invite her to a Meeting as soon as possible to present the Project to Members and discuss the proposed locations of the outlets.**

62. WE ARE WATCHING YOU CAMPAIGN

Members RECEIVED and CONSIDERED the anti-dog-fouling campaign 'We are watching you' documents presented by Cllr J. Bright.

RESOLVED:

- i) It was AGREED by all members that this matter would be taken to the Town Forum to be discussed with residents and other Council members.**
- ii) Cllr Bright and a member of the public suggested utilising the support of community groups such as the Neighbourhood Engagement Group and local schools for further reach for this project. All Agreed.**

- iii) It was **AGREED** by all members that 5 Corex boards and 5 stickers are to be purchased from the 'We are watching you' Campaign with a town Council logo visible. The Civic and Support Officer will admin this while researching if discounts are available for larger quantity purchases.
- iv) The Civic and Support Officer is to contact TDC to request permission to place boards and stickers on bins and lamp columns, as well as enquiring if TDC currently have any projects planned to tackle dog fouling.
- v) It was **AGREED** by all members that the following locations are to be used to trial the campaign: St. Peter's Rec, both ends of the joining ally way, and the area surrounding Callis Grange school.

63. LAND ADJACENT TO BROMESTONE ROUNDABOUT- RIVERSIDE HOUSING.

Members RECEIVED and CONSIDERED a verbal report from the Civic & Support Officer regarding this project so far.

RESOLVED:

- i) After extensive discussions it was **AGREED** by all members that this project would not be viable for the Town Council to pursue going forward.
- ii) It was **AGREED** by all members that this project would be more suitable for the local school, Bromstone Primary school to pursue going forward.
- iii) It was **AGREED** that Ward Councillors including Cllr P. Moore, would take over the correspondence with Riverside Housing and that Cllr P. Moore is to contact the school to investigate whether the school would be interested in taking over this land.
- iv) It was **AGREED** by all members that if Bromstone Primary are to take over this land, Broadstairs & St. Peter's Town Council will supply them with a yearly grant towards the maintenance of the space.

64. HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The current HIP and an update from the Civic and Support was RECEIVED by Members.

Resolution:

After extensive discussions regarding traffic issues within Broadstairs & St. Peter's, it was AGREED by all members that The HIP is to be referred to F&GP or Full Council for all Members to discuss and to move forward as a whole Council Project.

65. PROPOSED FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS & DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 27th September 6pm – Location TBC

Proposed Forward agenda items:

- Railway Station Litter – to invite southeastern to Town Forum
- Broadstairs in Bloom Tender
- Dog Poo bag dispensers

12:46pm meeting closed.

