

14th November 2019

Minutes of the proceedings of the **Environment Committee** held this day in the **Kitty Dancy Room, Sandhurst Community Hall Complex, Sandhurst** commencing at **7.30pm** and finishing at **8.13pm**.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs S Davenport
Councillor: N Allen, Mrs J Bettison, B Brooks, P Hodge, P Panesar, S Thomas, M Vandersluis, P Wallington.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors
M Brossard (Business)
Ms G Kennedy (Business)
Mrs P McKenzie (Business)
R Mossom (Business)
Mrs M Mossom (Indisposed)
Mrs N York (Indisposed)

MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda item 2)

There were no declarations of interest on the business to be discussed.

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (Agenda item 3)

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Davenport and the following was

**RESOLVED
2013**

that the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 12th July 2019 (pages 0938-0941) are received as a true and correct record and that they been signed by the Chairman. (Unanimous)

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE (Agenda item 4)

An update was received following the Remembrance Service. The event was very successful and was well attended by members of the public. There was an issue with the diversion that had been agreed by BFC Highways as the signs were not delivered. This matter will be taken up with BFC. The Committee were advised that the work to replace the steps and wall of the memorial had been completed the week prior to the service. The stonemason has changed the design of the entrance. The end of the wall now fans out instead of being straight. This was not agreed by anyone, therefore the Committee has been asked to take a look at the changes and this will be discussed and a decision made in the next Environment Committee Meeting.

WINTER SERVICE PLAN 2019/20 (Agenda item 5)

The draft Winter Service Plan produced by Bracknell Forest Council was received. A query was raised concerning the third tier categorisation of the salting route in Lower Church Road as this road leads to St Michaels School and therefore falls under the criteria for the secondary salting route. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr M Vandersluis and seconded by Cllr S Thomas and the following was



**RESOLVED
2014**

that the categorisation of the salting route for Lower Church Road is raised with BFC.

ACTION: EO

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATION (Agenda item 6)

The decorating of the Christmas Trees in the halls was discussed. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Davenport and the following was

**RESOLVED
2015**

that the tree decorating will take place on Wednesday 27th November 2019 at 1.00pm. An email advising all Councillors will be sent.

ACTION: EO

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT (Agenda item 7)

The event plan was reviewed and discussed. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs S Davenport and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2016**

that the existing schedule should be implemented again this year.

ACTION: EO

VE DAY 2020 (Agenda item 8)

The Committee were asked to consider whether they would like to recommend any events or activities in recognition of the VE Day 75th Anniversary which will be on 8th May 2020. Ideas suggested included planting trees, afternoon tea, display in the hall, candle light event. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2017**

that The Corp of Drums are approached for their possible involvement in an event. Ideas for the type of event are to be presented to this Committee in the January meeting for consideration.

ACTION: EO

OUTSIDE BODIES REPORT (Agenda item 9)

Cllr Mrs J Bettison reported that she had attended the Bannister Charity meeting along with Cllr P Hodge. The charity allocated its grants to the usual charities that they support annually.

FOOTPATHS (Agenda Item 10)

a) A review of the footpaths was undertaken and the Committee were advised that the footpath numbers used by STC differ from those used by BFC. Further to discussion it was proposed by Mrs S Davenport and seconded by Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2018**

that the current footpaths monitored by STC remain unchanged and that the numbers of the footpaths also remain unchanged. Up to date maps of the footpaths will be obtained.

ACTION: EO

b) Cllr B Brooks reported that the Branksome Hill Footpath was quite narrow and that it was muddy following all of the recent rainfall. All other paths were reported as being in good condition.



NOTICEBOARDS (Agenda item 11)

Nothing reported.

PRESS AND PUBLICITY (Agenda item 12)

A request for a press release about the Christmas Lights Event has been added to the press and publicity forward plan. The Committee were also informed of an article that was released by Cllr M Vandersluis and Cllr M Brossard concerning their work on a footpath. Councillors were reminded that requests for press releases should be added to the forward plan prior to release.

NEXT MEETING (Agenda item 13)

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 9 January 2020.

ACTION: EO

**SIGNED AND DATED BY
CHAIRMAN**

