

10th September 2020

Minutes of the proceedings of the **Environment Committee** held this day via Zoom commencing at **7.30pm** and finishing at **8.24pm**.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Ms G Kennedy
Councillor: N Allen, Mrs J Bettison, Mrs S Davenport, Mrs M Mossom, P Panesar, S Thomas, M Vandersluis.

IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors
M Brossard (Business)
Mrs P McKenzie (Business)
R Mossom (Business)
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 Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr N Allen and the following was

**RESOLVED
2170**

that the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 12th March 2020 (pages 1016-1018) are received as a true and correct record and that they been signed by the Chairman. (Unanimous)

UPDATE (Agenda item 4)

The Committee received an update on some decisions that were made by the Delegated Decisions Committee on behalf of the Environment Committee during lockdown. These included the installation of the VE Day bench, the installation of a new bin at Scotland Hill Road, and the erection of posters highlighting the "don't be a tosser" litter campaign.

KEEP BRITAIN TIDY (Agenda item 5)

An update was received on the Great British September Clean. This year, residents are being encouraged to support the Great British September Clean by organising and registering a private group clean-up with up to five family and friends or pledging to do their own individual litter-pick. The Committee discussed the planned litter pick on 12th September 2020. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs M Mossom and the following was

**RESOLVED
2171**

that the litter pick would go ahead as part of the Great British September Clean Scheme. Social distancing guidelines will be adhered to and groups will be split into a maximum of 6 people. An updated risk assessment will reflect the COVID19 precautions that must be followed. Various locations will be litter picked. This will include Shepherds Meadow and Marshall Road.

ACTION: Cllr Ms G Kennedy



BULB PLANTING (Agenda item 6)

- a) The location for bulb planting in the town was discussed. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr N Allen and the following was

**RESOLVED
2172**

that the location for the bulb planting for 2020 will be York Way, the island by Longdown Lodge Estate and the entrance to St Michaels Road. The planting will be done by Sandhurst Town Councillors who will be assisted by the grounds staff.

ACTION: EO

- b) A request was received from the CMRA asking for STC to plant bulbs near Constable Way and Gower Park. CMRA agreed to pay for them. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2173**

that CMRA would be given permission to plant the bulbs themselves and this would not be included as part of the STC bulb planting.

ACTION: Cllr Ms G Kennedy

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE (Agenda item 7)

The Committee were asked to consider how the Remembrance Service would be marked by STC this year. No government guidelines for the service have been received currently. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED
2174**

that a zoom meeting will be arranged with the working group to discuss the options. The service will be scaled down considerably and wreaths will only be laid by dignitaries as part of the service. Anyone else wishing to lay a wreath may do so at their leisure. The event will be streamed on Facebook Live to encourage residents to watch the service from home. Direction will be taken from RMAS concerning their participation in the event. In the absence of another Environment Committee Meeting taking place before the Remembrance Service, the decisions will be made by the Delegated Decisions Committee.

ACTION: EO

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT (Agenda item 8)

The Committee were asked to consider the Christmas Lights Event. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs M Mossom and the following was

**RESOLVED
2175**

that due to the Government Guidelines surrounding social distancing and the serving of refreshments this year's event will not take place. The Christmas tree will be erected, and the lights will be displayed throughout the Town, however there will not be an event this year. This will be reviewed should the Government Guidelines change.

ACTION: EO



OUTSIDE BODIES REPORT (Agenda item 9)

Cllr Mrs S Davenport informed the Committee that she has a virtual meeting next week with the Blackbushe Airport Consultative Committee.

FOOTPATHS (Agenda Item 10)

A report was received that the footpath at Perryhill Road is overgrown. Cllr M Vandersluis will check the area and report to BFC if necessary.

NOTICEBOARDS (Agenda item 11)

A suggestion has been made that all STC notice boards are refreshed and that all old posters are removed.

PRESS AND PUBLICITY (Agenda item 12)

No further additions to the press and publicity plan.

NEXT MEETING (Agenda item 13)

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 12th November 2020.

**SIGNED AND DATED BY
CHAIRMAN**

