

**14<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

Minutes of the proceedings of the **Environment Committee** held this day via Zoom commencing at **7.30pm** and finishing at **7.55pm**.

**PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr Ms G Kennedy  
Councillor: N Allen, Mrs J Bettison, B Brooks, M Brossard, Mrs S Davenport, Mrs P McKenzie, Mrs M Mossom, R Mossom, M Sanderson, S Thomas, M Vandersluis, P Wallington, Mrs N York.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Executive Officer (Angela Carey)

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda item 1)**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors P Panesar (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 Mrs S Davenport and the following was

**RESOLVED  
2254**

that the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020 (pages 1067-1069) are received as a true and correct record and that they been signed by the Chairman. (Unanimous)

**KEEP BRITAIN TIDY (Agenda item 4)**

The Committee discussed the plans for litter picking in 2021. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
2255**

that due to the current lockdown restrictions the date for the usual March litter pick will be postponed until later in the year. The date will be agreed when the restrictions allow.

**ACTION: EO**

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS (Agenda item 5)**

The Committee were advised that several of the lights that STC display in the town are faulty. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Mrs J Bettison and the following was

**RESOLVED  
2256**

that new lights are purchased to replace the faulty ones and that the payment is taken from the Christmas Lights Event budget 2020/21. This budget line has excess funds due to the cancelation of the event this year.

**ACTION: EO**



### **BUDGET REVIEW (Agenda item 6)**

An update was received concerning the proposed budget for the Environment Committee 2021/2022. Further to discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ms G Kennedy and seconded by Cllr S Thomas and the following was

**RESOLVED  
2257**

that there are no amendments to be made to the budget for 2021/22. The budget was accepted by the committee and will be presented to the Strategy & Policy Committee. A suggestion has been made by this Committee for STC to consider installing electric car charging points. This suggestion will be considered by the Strategy and Policy Committee and if the project is assigned to the Environment Committee a budget will be needed for the project. This will be requested at a later date.

**ACTION: EO**

### **OUTSIDE BODIES REPORT (Agenda item 7)**

No reports received.

### **FOOTPATHS (Agenda Item 8)**

No reports were received concerning STC footpaths.

Cllr M Brossard informed the Committee that Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust, responsible for Wildmoor Heath will be replacing the rotting boardwalk paths.

### **NOTICEBOARDS (Agenda item 9)**

No reports were received.

The notice board at Yeovil Road was repaired by the Ground Staff.

### **PRESS AND PUBLICITY (Agenda item 10)**

No further additions to the press and publicity plan.

### **NEXT MEETING (Agenda item 11)**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

**SIGNED AND DATED BY  
CHAIRMAN**

