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MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7 PM ONLINE AT ZOOM.US MEETING ID 97777309034

PRESENT:	CHAIRMAN	S Cobb
	COUNCILLORS	D Bowgett, J Chiswick, F Greig, M Middlemiss (By telephone)
	CLERK	J Crowther
	DEPUTY CLERK	J Mottershead
	ALSO PRESENT	None

RESOLVED – Members elected Councillor S Cobb to Chair the remote online meeting.

- E1 APOLOGIES – (Item 1)** - To receive, record and approve apologies for absence: - I Edmondson, C Metcalfe & C Stephenson.
- E2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – (Item 2)** - To receive and record declarations of interest at this point or at any other point on the agenda – None.
- E3 PUBLIC SESSION – SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS – (Item 3)** -To allow members of the public to speak on any matter as it relates to the town – None
- E4 REIMPOSE STANDING ORDERS – (Item 4)** - None.
- E5 PLANNING – (Item 5)** - Members noted and commented as required on the following applications received from Selby District Council: -

13/20 - 107A York Road, LS24 8AU - Application for consent to crown thin by 10-15%, remove dead branches and crown reduction by 2-3 metres around streetlight on road side to 1 No. Copper Beech tree covered by TPO 11/2005

RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application.

14/20 - Edgerton Lodge, Edgerton Drive - Application for consent to remove 2no of Cypress trees (T9 & T10) 1no Willow tree (T11) 2no Sycamore trees (T16 & T24) 1no Ash tree (T22) and crown thin by 10% crown lift smaller branches to clear 5m from ground level to 1no beech tree (T4) to crown lift by 2.5m to Yew tree hedgerow boundary (G19) and to remove 2 lowest stems to 1no Cedar tree (T20) covered by TPO 7/1978

RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application.

15/20 – Manor Farm, Leeds Road – New vehicular access on land.

RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application.

16/20 – 34 Hillcrest – Single storey wrap around extension.

RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application subject to neighbours' comments.

ACTION – Clerk to reply to SDC accordingly.

- E6 CORRESPONDENCE – (Item 6)** - None.

- E7 SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL - TADCASTER REVITALISATION PROJECT – (Item 7)** -

a. Update of response received from Selby District Council regarding how the project aligns with Tadcaster Town Council Positive Steps initiative, Tadcaster Neighbourhood Development Plan and Selby Sherburn and Tadcaster Places and Movement Study.

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S Cobb reported that there were various projects concerning High Street improvements across the district. It was felt that High Streets in the district did not reflect the fact that they were high wage districts.

He reported that that it was very likely that the Government would force North Yorkshire to become a Unitary Council, therefore eliminating the District Council. There would be an elected Mayor for North Yorkshire as in London and Greater Manchester. Funding would be distributed through the Mayoral system; therefore, the District Council were looking at projects that could be put forward to bid for the funding.

The Clerk reported that a reply to the email sent to SDC asking for clarification on how all Tadcaster projects would fit together had been received and circulated to members.

Councillor S Cobb reported that he was joining the SDC Revitalisation meeting on 2 September 2020 and the Tadcaster Places and Movement Study meeting on 3 September 2020. He would report back to the Council meeting on 29 September 2020.

The Clerk was concerned that the SDC officer leading the Revitalisation meeting had no knowledge of the Town Councils Positive Steps Group or Tadcaster Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Members felt that pressure was required to ensure that Tadcaster projects came to fruition.

RESOLVED – Members to agree a way forward following feedback and updates from Councillor S Cobb at the Council meeting on 29 September 2020.

b. Members noted date of Tadcaster Revitalisation meeting 2 September 2020.

E8 NORTH YORKSHIRE – UNITARY COUNCIL PROPOSAL – (Item 8) -

a. **North Yorkshire County Council** – Leader of the Council Seminar – 19 August 2020 – Members update of the Seminar.

Councillor S Cobb reported that the Government was set to offer North Yorkshire two options one to include North Yorkshire with York City Council or to split East and West.

b. **Selby District Council – Leader of the Council Letters – 30 July 2020 and 14 August 2020 – Members to discuss and agree replies.**

Councillors S Cobb and D Mackay had met to discuss the above reply, which had been circulated to members.

Following authorisation from Council at the meeting held on the 18 August 2020 for the Environment Committee to agree a letter to be sent to NYCC & SDC Leaders members agreed that further content was required in the draft.

RESOLVED –

- **Councillors D Bowgett, S Cobb and F Greig to redraft the above letter**
- **The Draft letter to be circulated via email to members for comments/approval prior to sending to the Leaders of NYCC and SDC.**

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

E9 RIVERSIDE UPGRADE – (Item 9) - Members to discuss and agree a way forward for the Riverside Project repayment received from Selby District Council.

The Clerk reported that Riverside Project funding returned to the Council was being held in specific Reserve. Members were asked how they would like to proceed.

Members were reminded that a request for the full 100K allocated to Tadcaster from the Programme for Growth Fund be reallocated for its primary purpose had been made to SDC in February 2020, a reply had not been received.

ACTION – Clerk to chase the above reply.

Councillor G Greig described a recreational area in Boston Spa which was felt was an excellent example of the use of community land adapted for leisure purposes.

ACTION – Clerk to contact Boston Spa Parish Council to find out how the above area had been funded and established.

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Members agreed for the above item to be discussed at the next appropriate meeting.

E10. VIADUCT – (Item 10) - Members update of methane gas on the Viaduct.

The Clerk reported that there was no update from the Environment Agency but reported that one should be available for the Council meeting on 29 September 2020.

E11. DOG BIN – (Item 11) - Request for a dog/litter bin Stutton Road.

The Deputy Clerk reported that a resident had requested for the siting of a Dog Bin on Stutton Road at the entrance to the footway leading to Dorchester Road.

Councillor D Bowgett reported that he had received a request for a Dog Bin to be sited at the junction of the footway leading from Golf Links to the Dorchester Road footway.

RESOLVED – That the ownership of the Golf Links footpath be ascertained with a view to siting a Dog Bin in the area. The matter be discussed further at the next Environment meeting on 6 October 2020.

E12. BINS AND BENCHES SURVEY – (Item 12) - Members to note the Surveys and to discuss a way forward for any action required.

The above survey was to be completed by Councillor C Stephenson who was absent from the meeting this would be brought to the next Environment Committee meeting on 6 October 2020.

E13. PLANTING – (Item 13) - Members to review future planting in the town.

The Clerk reported that there had been problems regarding the lack of volunteers for the watering of summer planting.

Members felt that a review of all areas of Planting was required with a view to reducing costs.

RESOLVED - Councillors D Bowgett, J Chiswick, S Cobb, F Greig & M Middlemiss to hold an online meeting to discuss and review planting and report back to the next Environment Committee meeting on 6 October 2020.

ACTION –

- The above Councillors to look at all planting displays in the town prior to the above online meeting.
- Clerk to send out maps of planting areas in the town to the above Councillors.

E14. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY – (Item 14) - Update from Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme.

Members noted the update.

ACTION – Clerk to circulate the above update to the Emergency Planning Sub Committee.

E15. TADCASTER COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN – (Item 15) - Members discussed the North Yorkshire County Councils activation of Tadcaster's Community Emergency Plan in the early stages of Covid 19.

ACTION – Clerk to contact NYCC to request information regarding the activation policy for the Community Emergency Plan.

E16. ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE – (Item 16) - Members to review the Terms of Reference for the Environment Committee.

RESOLVED – Members approved the above Terms of Reference.

E17. EMERGENCY PLANNING SUB COMMITTEE – (Item 17) -

a. Terms of Reference – Members to review the Terms of Reference for the Emergency Planning Sub Committee.

RESOLVED - Members approved the above Terms of Reference.

b. Minutes - Members to approve the minutes of the meeting on 2 July 2019.

RESOLVED – Members approved the above minutes.

Members discussed a date for the next meeting.

RESOLVED – That a meeting be held prior to the Environment meeting on 6 October if required.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

E18. ALLOTMENTS – (Item 18) - To discuss any matters relating to the allotments.

The Deputy Clerk reported that an allotment inspection was to be undertaken during September.

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- E19. TADCASTER TOWN COUNCIL NEWSLETTER – (Item 19)** - To put forward suggestions for the next edition of the Newsletter from this meeting for the next edition of the newsletter.
- Members were informed that the next edition of the newsletter had been delayed by a week as news regarding Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme was to be put forward.
- E20. WEBSITE AND MEDIA ITEMS – (Item 20)** - To suggest appropriate matters from this meeting to place on the website, Facebook and before the media – Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme information as available.