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MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 7 PM IN THE BOYS SUNDAY SCHOOL OFF KIRKGATE

PRESENT: CHAIRMAN D Bowgett

COUNCILLORS S Cobb, D Mackay, C Metcalfe & R Sweeting

CLERK J Crowther
DEPUTY CLERK J Mottershead

ALSO PRESENT 3 members of the public

- **E132** APOLOGIES (Item 1) To receive, record and approve apologies for absence Councillors J Chiswick, P Emmott, F Greig, M Middlemiss and C Stephenson.
- **E133 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)** To receive and record declarations of interest at this point or at any other point on the agenda None.
- **PUBLIC SESSION SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS (Item 3)** -To allow members of the public to speak on any matter as it relates to the town Members of the public are asked to submit any questions in advance of the meeting to the Clerk None
- E135 REIMPOSE STANDING ORDERS (Item 4) None
- **CLERKS REPORT (Item 5)** Clerk to update members regarding any environmental matters not itemised on this agenda.
 - **a.** North Yorkshire County Council and Parish Elections were being brought forward by a year and would take place 5 May 2022. The next elections would take place five years hence, therefore members would serve a five-year term not four. The usual four-year term would continue for future elections.
 - **b.** A report of a damaged underpass light in Stutton Parish had been received from Stutton Parish Council, a request for Tadcaster Town Council to take responsibility for the light had been put forward.

RESOLVED That as the underpass light was in Stutton Parish the Town Council were unable to take on the responsibility.

ACTION – Clerk to reply accordingly.

c. Welcome Back funding – Funding for Cycle Racks in the town was to be taken from an alternative SDC Funding Pot. A Rack had been secured for the library. Proposed visitor leaflet funding was also to be taken from an alternative funding pot.

SDC were to install Electric Chargers and Cycle Racks in Britannia Car Park.

ACTION – Clerk to check that Britannia Public House had been made aware of the above proposals.

- **E137 PLANNING (Item 6)** Members noted and commented as required on the following applications received from Selby District Council:
 - a. Planning Applications

41/21 - 16 Edgerton Drive TPO – Crown lift by 2.6m to 1 No Walnut Tree protected by TPO 9/1988 **RESOLVED – Members had no objection to the above application.**

ACTION – Clerk to reply to SDC accordingly.

b. Refused Applications -

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26/21 Badger End – Ouston Lane – Application for consent to remove 1No Yew Tree (T1) and replace with 3No 14` – 16` Sliver Birch Trees along the Northern Boundary, covered by TPO 17/1985

a. <u>AMEY – Notice of A64 Slip Road & Diversion Route – Members to note the email and comment as required.</u>

E138 CORRESPONDENCE - (Item 7) - members noted and make commented as required: -

- a. YLCA- White Rose Weekly Bulletin 4 February 2022,
- **b. YLCA –** Law and Governance Monthly Bulletin February 2022.
- **c. ITV World Productions** Email regarding a request for potential filming on Tadcaster Town Council owned Riverside areas.

Members welcomed the above filming in the town.

- **d. Selby District Council** Communications Notice of a North Yorkshire Council Find out About Becoming a Candidate in Crucial Elections: -
- Prospective Candidates and Agents online event 17 February 2022 5.00pm 6.00pm
- Selby District Council Local Online Briefings 2 March 2022 5.00pm 6.00pm.

E139 QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE - (Item 8) -

a. Members update of plans for The Queens Platinum Jubilee Market 5 June 2022.

R Sweeting reported that Council funding for the event had been agreed at the Council meeting on 8 February 2022.

The Clerk reported that funding was also being sought by D Mackay from NYCC Community funding, should this funding not be secured then Council funding as agreed would be used. Plans for the Market and Beacon Lighting were progressing well and were ongoing.

- b. Members were updated on the Beacon Lighting event for the Platinum Jubilee 2 June 2022.
- c. Risk Assessments Members approved the following Risk Assessments: -
- Queens Platinum Jubilee Market 5 June 2022.
- Beacon Lighting Event 2 June 2022.

E140 LITTER & DOG BINS - (Item 9) -

a. Members considered a request for a Litter Bin in layby off the A659 Toulston.

Members were informed that a request had been received for a bin in a newly tarmacked lavby.

RESOLVED – That a large bin be investigated for the site.

ACTION – Clerk to seek ownership of the layby land and contact SDC to ascertain the preferred bin option for the site.

SUSPEND STANDING ORDERS

A resident reported that tarmac had been laid by maintenance workers on the A64.

REIMPOSE STANDING ORDERS

b. Members to consider the relocation of the Litter Bin on Garnet Lane Tadcaster.

RESOLVED That a suitable alternative site for a larger bin be investigated.

ACTION - Clerk to deal.

The Clerk reported that two bins in the Kelkar area of the town were damaged beyond repair.

RESOLVED To replace the above bins.

ACTION - Clerk to deal.

- **E141** VIADUCT (Item 10) Update noted an update received from The Environment Agency regarding Methane Gas Emission on Viaduct Walk.
- **E142 ENVIONMENT AGENCY (Item 11)** Members update of Tadcaster Flood Alleviation Scheme. Members were informed that a EA Client Group meeting was to held on 10 March 2022, feedback would be brought to the next appropriate meeting.

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E143 ALLOTMENTS – (Item 12) - To discuss any matters relating to the allotments.

The Clerk reported that a Tenant had requested for a lock to be placed on the gate at Westfield Allotments.

RESOLVED – That no to be placed on the above gate.

ACTION – Clerk to reply to Tenant accordingly.

Members agreed for an item regarding allotments to be discussed in the Private Session.

- E144 FINANCE (Item 13) Payment of Accounts None
- **E145 WEBSITE, NEWLETTER AND MEDIA ITEMS (Item 14)** To suggest appropriate matters from this meeting to place on the website, Facebook and before the media The Environment Agency Flood Alleviation Scheme E Newsletter upon received.
- E146 MINOR MATTERS AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING (Item 15) to bring to the attention of the meeting, or the Clerk any relevant items of business for the next meeting of the Environment Committee 7 June 2022 None.

To consider exclusion of the press and public by virtue of the Public (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential I nature of the business to be discussed at agenda items only.

E147 QUOTATION – (Item 16) - Riverbank Trees – Members considered and agreed a quotation received for tree work on the Riverbank.

The Clerk reported that the Council had previously approved the above tree work in the Conservation Area.

RESOLVED - Members approved the above quotation.

ACTION – Clerk to deal.

E148 ALLOTMENTS – The Clerk reported that following previous discussions with a former Tenant at the Westfield site it had been agreed that a shed could remain on site for a period of time which had now lapsed.

ACTION – Clerk to contact the above previous tenant to arrange a timescale for removal of the above shed.