

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL****AMENITY COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the Amenity Committee held in the Council House, 44 Old Street, Clevedon at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 21 January 2009

Present: Cllr C Francis-Pester in the CHAIR  
 Cllrs C Blades, L Little  
 Ms P Heath – Town Clerk, Mrs I Johnson – Committee Clerk

In Attendance: Cllr L Knott

Apologies: Cllr E Blades – another commitment, D Jones – illness,  
 T Morgan – out of Clevedon, G Watkins – holiday.  
 Mr S Banbury Senior Area Officer (North) NSC

AM/09/01 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None were made.

AM/09/02 MINUTES The minutes of the Amenity Committee meeting held on 19 November 2008 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

AM/09/03 NSC UPDATE Mr Banbury and Mr Withers will attend the next meeting of the Committee and provide an update.

Min No.		Action
<b>PART 1 items - REQUIRING APPROVAL BY COUNCIL</b>		
AM/09/03	<p><u>CLOSED TOP LITTER BINS</u> AM/08/50.2            It had previously been agreed to install new closed top litter bins along Clevedon seafront. This provision to be funded 50% NSC 50% Clevedon Town Council. The sum of £660 had been allocated in the 2008/2009 Amenity Committee budget.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that replacement litter bins for Clevedon seafront and Queens Square are ordered to be funded from the sum of £660 set aside in the Amenity Committee budget and the sum remaining from that allocated to the emptying of the community plan dog bins see Committee budget</p>	Office to action after full Council
<b>PART 2 items - ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER DELEGATED POWERS</b>		
AM/09/04	<p><u>MUGA FACILITY/TENNIS COURT MAINTENANCE</u> AM/08/47.3  <b>RESOLVED:</b> Chairman to discuss with Cllr Ap Rees and Cllr J Blatchford the next day.</p>	Ctte Chmn
AM/09/05	<p><u>DOG CONTROL MEASURES &amp; SEAFRONT BYLAWS</u> AM/08/47.4            No information provided by NSC.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To follow up with Mr MacGregor at NSC.</p>	Office to action
AM/09/06	<p><u>POETS WALK</u> Directional signs and leaflets AM/08/47.4  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To ask Mr Banbury to liaise with Esme Gilling prior to further discussion with the Committee.</p>	Office to action
AM/09/07	<p><u>S106 MONIES FOR CLEVEDON</u> AM/08/48  <b>RESOLVED:</b> Chairman to provide a more up to date list.</p>	Ctte Chmn
AM/09/08	<p><u>COMMUNITY PLAN DOG BIN EMPTYING</u>            A resident who had been a member of the Community Plan Working Party has been monitoring the emptying of these bins and submitting regular reports which are forwarded to the Contractor. It was recalled that any NSC owned bins that are in bad condition could be replaced by NSC.</p>	Noted

AM/09/09	<p><u>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS DISPLAY 2008/2009</u>  Items discussed;  1) Insurance claim from Monsoon being handled by the Contractor's insurance company;  2) The Contractor is storing the Christmas lights at his depot in Swindon free of charge.  3. Meeting to be arranged with Clevedon Pride to discuss arrangements for Christmas lights next year and fund raising.  4) The Christmas lights contract has now ended.  5) Damage to the Wring family Christmas tree – the Committee Chairman had spoken to Mr Wring and written to the local newspaper. The Contractor is assessing the damage and James Shopland has offered to assist in reshaping the tree.</p>	Office to arrange meeting
AM/09/10	<p><u>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HILL ROAD</u>  The need to remove electric meters no longer in use was discussed.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To arrange a meeting with representatives from Hill Road and Alexandra Road.</p>	Office to arrange meeting
AM/09/11	<p><u>HERBERT GARDENS</u>  <u>COPPER BEECH TREE</u>  Mr Quinney, Tree Warden felt felling may not be necessary and remedial pruning may be the best option.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To obtain further quotations and reports.</p> <p><u>DAMAGED TREE OPPOSITE 4 HERBERT ROAD</u>  Jane Brewer from NSC had reported that the trunk of the tree had split. Mr Quinney did not consider very urgent action to be required.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To obtain quotations to fell the tree.</p> <p><u>FRIENDS OF HERBERT GARDENS</u>  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To invite Mrs Hayward to the next meeting.</p>	Office to action  Office to action  Office to action
AM/09/12  12.1 12.2  12.3	<p><u>REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES</u>  <b>RESOLVED:</b> If possible to obtain dates of meetings for 2009.</p> <p>CLEVEDON COMMUNITY ASSOC No report.  STRODE CENTRE USER CTTE No meeting for some time  <b>RESOLVED:</b> To write to the Chief Executive, NSC requesting regular meetings involving the Town Council as originally agreed when the Town assisted in funding this amenity.</p> <p>CURZON CINEMA Cllr Blades hoped to attend the meeting on Tuesday next. He confirmed that the first stage of The bid for Heritage Lottery Funding had been submitted. The Curzon had also assisted NSC to obtain a youth arts involvement grant.</p> <p>N SOM SAFETY &amp; COASTAL ADVISORY GROUP No report.  CLEVEDON TOURISM GROUP – This Group has now been formally disbanded. Noted. It was reported there would be changes to the management of the Tourist Information Centre in WSM.</p>	Office to action  Office to action

12.4 12.5 12.6	PIER TRUST Report from Cllr Dagnall on meeting 15 Jan 09; <i>Profits</i> for last nine months down due to Waverley not being available last year and increased expenses. <i>Future events</i> – Valentine Evening Event – 14 February 2009 Anniversary of pier opening 29 March. <i>Royal Pier Hotel</i> – Consideration as to whether the Pier Trust should raise funds for the purchase of the Pier Hotel. <i>Heritage Centre</i> – Proposals to refurbish and use part of the premises to provide refreshment facilities (there or at Toll House). <i>Pier Archivist</i> will be starting at the end of January.	Noted
AM/09/13	<u>CLEVEDON TOWN GUIDE</u> The supply of Town Guides is diminishing. The Committee to consider whether to progress the publication of a new Guide	Next agenda
APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD                      CHAIRMAN: .....		
The meeting finished at 8.30pm                      DATE: .....		

MINUTES RATIFIED BY COUNCIL ON 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009