

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2016

PRESENT: Cllr C Francis-Pester – Committee Chairman in the Chair
 Cllrs C Blades, J Geldart, G Hill, L Little, T Morgan, K O'Brien,
 A Shopland, G Watkins.

Mrs I Johnson – Deputy Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllrs N Barton and D Shopland

Mr M Crosby, Mr M Gibson, Mrs S Hotchkiss – Clevedon Sailing Club

Mr C Harrison and Ms J Mercer – NSC CCTV

The Committee Vice-Chairman started the meeting. The Chairman arrived a few minutes later.

7.30 pm INFORMAL BUSINESS

1. **CLEVEDON SLIPWAY, THE BEACH**

Mr Crosby raised concerns about the dilapidated state of the Clevedon slipway. The slipway had been built in the 1800s and according to a booklet published in the 1960s it was owned by Clevedon UDC. The slipway would then have been transferred to Woodspring District Council in 1974 and subsequently to North Somerset Council. North Somerset Council however denies ownership of the slipway that leads down to the sea only the pathway in front of the viaduct. Clevedon Sailing Club now asks the Town Council to request NSC to consider action to safeguard the future of this much used slipway. Clevedon Sailing Club had produced a report (copied to Committee members) outlining the maintenance problems. A costed feasibility study is now required. Clevedon Sailing Club is willing to assist with fund raising and work with NSC. However applications for grant funding cannot be made without ownership being established. The Club is not the only user of the slipway and would only form a trust to enable funding to be obtained as a last resort.

CSC is planning to undertake some repairs before winter and is looking to NSC to facilitate safe working practices for the duration of these works.

2. **CLEVEDON CCTV**

Mr Harrison stated that following meetings with the NSC Scrutiny Panel, the Police had been made aware of the need for the value of CCTV to be demonstrated to local councils and the public. This Police had promised to provide more detailed statistics concerning follow up and arrests assisted by CCTV. This had not been forthcoming. Mr Harrison emphasised that the presence of CCTV cameras did a lot to prevent crime. Monthly CCTV statistics are sent to The Town Clerk.

Mr Harrison reported that the shop and business owners in Nailsea had engaged with the radio system previously reported to the TEA Committee. There is the ability for the Clevedon Traders also to take up this initiative however there had only been a small take up in the town. It was noted that this is a Police initiative. Mr Harrison confirmed that there is a direct real time link from the cameras to Portishead Police Headquarters. He confirmed that the picture quality can be used to assist prosecution if an incident is filmed.

In answer to questions Mr Harrison informed Members that the current cameras are all analogue however digital cameras with hard drives would make it easier to research

pictures after a reported incident to find collaborative evidence. No funding for digital cameras has been made available despite previous assurances that there would be a rolling programme to replace the cameras.

Ms Mercer emphasised that the out of hours telephone cover for NSC carried out in the Control Room is manned by additional staff and these staffing costs were not part of the CCTV budget. It was confirmed that the CCTV cameras are operational 24/7 unless cameras are out of order awaiting replacement.

8.15 pm FORMAL BUSINESS
TEA/16/604 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr B Hatch and J Norton-Sealey - unwell; Mr G Withers NSC Principal Green Spaces Officer.

TEA/16/605 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

TEA/16/606 MINUTES OF TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 21st SEPTEMBER 2016

The minutes of the above meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PART 2

TEA/16/607 ITEMS ARISING FROM INFORMAL BUSINESS ABOVE;

607.1 NSC UPDATE Mr Withers had provided the following update for items on the end of the agenda;

THE BEACH CLEVEDON – new jet-ski signage.

This is ongoing and Mr Withers will bring it back to the next meeting so there is signage for next year's season. Members felt this was taking too long.

SEAFRONT RAILINGS – quotes, funding and timescale for work

Mr Withers has not progressed this as there is currently no budget that could cover this work.

SALTHOUSE FIELDS – damage to area used as a works compound for Marine Lake. This area has been considerably improved. NSC is currently monitoring this area.

BARE AREA OF EARTH ADJACENT TO CLEVEDON SAILING CLUB

A wall has been placed to stop soil getting on to the path.

FLAGS THE BEACH **RESOLVED:** To report the shredded flags to NSC and request they are removed for the winter.

POSTERS CENTRAL WAY **RESOLVED:** To report these to NSC.

STREET LIGHTING ALEXANDRA ROAD These had been out for at least six weeks.
RESOLVED:To report the fault again.

STRODE ROAD PLAYING FIELDS **RESOLVED:** To report missing and loose wooden bollards to NSC.

607.2 CLEVEDON SLIPWAY THE BEACH (previously agenda item 11)

As far as the NSC Councillor for East Ward knew there had been no schedule of assets handed over by Clevedon UDC to Woodspring District Council and he was of the opinion that the UDC had not accepted ownership of the slipway but had provided funding to organisations to carry out works. The possibility of this being part of the Elton Estate was also discussed. However it was felt that NSC is responsible for the rest of the seafront and through their economic plan and work with the Clevedon Coastal Team are encouraging more visitors to Clevedon seafront. As the slipway is an essential part of the seafront it was felt NSC should have some obligation to respond to find a way forward to preserve and maintain the slipway for future use.

RESOLVED: The Committee to write to NSC.

607.3 CLEVEDON CCTV

Members felt there should be further consideration of the funding of the CCTV cameras prior to the precept for 2017/18 being confirmed.

RESOLVED: To put the following questions to the Avon & Somerset Police Crime Commissioner when she attends the Special full Council meeting on Monday next 21st November 2016;

- NSC has said there is a direct link from the CCTV operations room at North Somerset Council in Weston-Super-Mare to their own HQ in Portishead? Can images be sent direct in "real time" from Weston to Portishead HQ? Is it possible to access collaborative past evidence from the analogue cameras? Can images from analogue cameras be used as evidence?
- Are Police available to answer calls from the CCTV Control Room?
- In the past the Police have informed the Town Council of a radio system linking shops and traders to the CCTV Control Room. This appears to now be working in Nailsea. Have the Police pursued a similar scheme with Clevedon traders?
- Can the Police provide more statistics to indicate the outcome of incidents logged by CCTV to assist in demonstrating the value of CCTV?

TEA/16/608 UPDATE ON PROVISION OF YOUTH SHELTER ON SALTHOUSE FIELDS

TEA/16/595

It was reported that NSC had confirmed that planning permission is not required by the Town Council for small ancillary buildings on land belonging to them and maintained by them as long they do not exceed 4 metres in height or 200 cubic metres in capacity. Also NSC had stated that in 'principle there is no issue from a landlord's perspective'.

RESOLVED: To ensure landlord's consent is confirmed before proceeding further with this proposal.

TEA/16/609 UPDATE ON RE-PRINT OF CLEVEDON ILLUSTRATED MAP TEA/16/597 –

Cllr Geldart provided a proof of the map which had been amended as previously agreed. She confirmed that the cost of the design amendments would be £70. The maps would now be printed. NOTED.

TEA/16/610 REVIEW OF DOG BIN EMPTYING CONTRACT

The Contractor had confirmed that emptying prices will increase in line with the RPI on 1st April 2017.

RESOLVED: To include an increased figure for this contract in the TEA Committee budget for 2017/18. See minute TEA/16/614 below.

TEA/16/611 TO CONSIDER REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL DOG BIN IN JESMOND ROAD AREA TEA/16/585

Two residents had requested the bin. The cost of the bin and installation would be between £200-250 depending on whether the bin is installed on a hard or soft surface.

RESOLVED: To include this costing and the emptying of an additional dog bin in the TEA Committee budget for 2017/18. See minute TEA/16/614 below.

TEA/16/612 TO CONSIDER REPORT OF RECENT SUB-COMMITTEE FOR CLEVEDON TRIANGLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS MEETINGS

The Committee Chairman asked Committee Members and all Town Councillors to assist on the day with marshalling at the road closure barriers and to attend the Briefing on 23rd November 2016. Traders and residents immediately affected by the road closure for the switch on would be informed. The reports of the Sub-Committee were NOTED.

TEA/16/613 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON COMMITTEE BUDGET 2016/17

The information was NOTED.

TEA/16/614 TO CONSIDER COMMITTEE BUDGET 2017/18

RESOLVED: TO RECOMMEND to the Finance & General Policy Committee the following Budget for the Town Events & Amenities Committee for 2017/2018;

Christmas Lights**Hill Road**

£

Erection, dismantling, maintenance during switch on, testing and storage of 10 Band of Star motifs to street lighting columns as per specification

1,500.00

NB: The lights are the property of the Hill Road Traders who are responsible for any maintenance or replacement costs and electricity charges.

Triangle Area

Erection, dismantling, maintenance during switch on and storage of building mount decorations, festoon cable lighting and icicle lights as per specification and map. Provision of hand held remote control for switch on

8,500.00

New lights or replacement lights and bulbs

2,000.00

12,000.00**Pier Christmas Tree**

100.00

Electricity

400.00

12,500.00

TEA/16/614 continued...

Dog Bins See minute TEA/16/610 & 611 above	
Two emptyings per bin per week £3.98 per empty 25 bins	11,000.00
NB: <i>Increase in line with RPI on 1st April 2017</i>	
To supply and install dog bin in Jesmond Road	250.00
Planting To plant flower beds agreed by the Town Council	13,500.00
Salthouse Fields Tennis Courts	1,000.00
Reprints of Clevedon Illustrated Map contingency sum	500.00
Town Events & or other leisure activities to be determined by the Committee unanimously agreed.	4,000.00
World War I Commemoration 2018	500.00
Proposed Youth Shelter Salthouse Fields	3,000.00
Additional Replacement Flower Planters	500.00
Total	<u>£46,750.00</u>

TEA/16/615 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE**BODIES;**

Community Association Cllrs C Francis-Pester – No meeting.

N Somerset Safety & Coastal Advisory Group Cllr A Giles-Townsend – No meeting.

Clevedon Civic Society Cllr J West – Minutes of meeting held on 3rd November 2016 available

Strode Leisure Centre User Group Cllrs C Blades, J Geldart – No meeting.

Clevedon Pier Trust Cllrs C Hall, C Francis-Pester – Meeting the following evening.

Clevedon Sailing Club Ctte Cllr B Hatch – see informal business above

Clevedon Twinning Association Cllr G Watkins reported that two teachers from each of the twin towns had met together in Epernay recently and the Association had assisted with funding the Clevedon teachers.

CANS Cllr B Hatch had attended the AGM and reported on an inspiring talk given by a representative from the London Office.

Police & Communities Together Cllrs J Geldart, G Hill Minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2016 available. The Police had not been present but had reported 99 incidents in September. There had been 101 in 2015.

Gwilliam & Woodward Trust Cllr A Shopland – No meeting.

Clevedon Tides Festival Cllrs C Francis-Pester, B Hatch, G Watkins – No report.

Clevedon Commissioning Network Cllr J Geldart – No meeting.

MARLENS Trustees Cllr C Blades reported that the Tides Festival for 2017 is subject to review. The need to raise revenue from the use of the Lake is being considered. AGM 29th November 2016.

Farmers' Market Co-op Cllr J West meets regularly with Mr Amos. Nothing to report.

Land Yeo Friends Cllr Watkins had attended a recent meeting. Minutes available. The Land Yeo river is currently in a much improved state. The Friends very much appreciated the Town Council's grant.

TEA/16/616 CCTV LOG FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2016

The logs were NOTED.

TEA/16/617 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were no Chairman items for information.

TEA/16/618 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS

There were no Part I items.

The meeting finished at 9.28 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN.....DATE.....