

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 12th OCTOBER 2011

PRESENT: Cllr C Francis-Pester – Committee Chairman in the Chair
 Cllrs C Blades, J Geldart, M Hime, L Knott, L Little, T Morgan,
 N Pennycott, A Shopland, A Walker, A Withers,
 Mrs I Johnson – Deputy Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Withers NSC Senior Officer Green Spaces (Parks & Open
 Spaces, Local Nature Reserves – Informal Business

7.30 PM **INFORMAL BUSINESS**
STREETS AND OPEN SPACES UPDATE

Mr Withers reported;
 POETS WALK SEATS – Work now underway. The slats have been removed and will be replaced in the next few weeks.

ALEXANDRA GARDENS – A health and safety assessment on all the trees in the Gardens has been carried out and established that all the trees are in good health. A proposal is now being prepared to remove some of the trees to allow more light in the area adjacent to Hill Road. This proposal will be presented to the next meeting of the Committee.

PIER COPSE TOILETS – Request from Clevedon Pier for sign to Ladies Toilet. Sign now on order.

Councillors raised the following new items;

MARINE LAKE – Paddling pool area. Concern that this area is repeatedly filled with rocks and boulders following high tides. Mr Withers confirmed that the area is cleared regularly and was part of the original application for lottery funding for seafront improvements.

Mr Withers would confirm at the next meeting that the refurbishment of the paddling pool is still included in the re-submission to the HLF and also the deadline for this re-submission.

SIXWAYS TOILETS – Graffiti reported on the exterior walls.

7.54 PM **FORMAL BUSINESS**
TEA/11/79 APOLOGIES

Apologies from absence were received and accepted from Cllr P McNeill – out of Clevedon.

TEA/11/80 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

TEA/11/81 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 17th August 2011 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

PART 2

TEA/11/82 UPDATE ON CURRENT COMMITTEE BUDGET

Members received and noted details of the Town Events & Amenities Committee budget for 2011/12 as at 5 October 2011.

TEA/11/83 COMMITTEE BUDGET FOR NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR

The Town Events & Amenities Committee Budget for 2012/13 will be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee on 7 December 2011.

RESOLVED: Items for consideration to be submitted to the Deputy Town Clerk by 16th November 2011 to ensure the necessary information is available at the meeting.

Action: Committee members and Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/11/84 TO CONSIDER ITEMS ARISING FROM INFORMAL BUSINESS ABOVE

84.1 NSC UPDATE – No further discussion.

TEA/11/85 UPDATES ON ACTION ITEMS NOT ELSEWHERE ON AGENDA

There were no items.

TEA/11/86 MUGA (MULTI GAMES AREA)

The Chairman of Council reported on a Site Meeting that week with Wicksteed and the Ground Works Contractor at Salthouse Fields to mark out the layout for the MUGA. Works are due to start on 1st December 2011 completion could be before Christmas dependent on the right weather conditions for laying the tarmac. NOTED.

TEA/11/87 CHANGES TO DOG CONTROL LEGISLATION TEA11/71

The NSC Principal Environmental Health Officer has added Coleridge Vale Playing Fields, Clevedon to the list of areas to be considered for the exclusion of dogs. A full public consultation will follow. NSC also confirmed that there is no blanket exclusion of dogs from NSC owned playing fields only play areas. NOTED.

TEA/11/88 CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL DOG BINS TEA/11/73

Arising from the recent inspection it was agreed at the last meeting to consider;

88.1 REPLACEMENT DOG BIN FOR WOODLAND GLADE Members considered the photograph of the dog bin. Half the lid of this bin is now missing. NSC had confirmed that it is not possible to replace the lid only. The cost of a new dog bin is £59.00 + VAT + £50.00 to install.

RESOLVED: To purchase a new dog bin for Woodland Glade at a cost of £59.00 to be installed by the Clevedon Town Council Caretaker if this is permissible. To be funded from the Town Events & Amenities Committee budget 2011/12.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

88.2 REQUEST FOR DOG BIN IN THE VICINITY OF THE ZIG ZAG

The Deputy Town Clerk had ascertained that there are no dog bins in the vicinity of the Zig Zag. Agreed to site a new bin off Dial Hill Road but not adjacent to the seat.

RESOLVED: To purchase a new dog bin for the Zig Zag at a cost of £59.00 plus the cost of the post, to be installed by the Clevedon Town Council Caretaker if this is permissible. This is provided the cost of emptying this additional dog bin is reasonable. To be funded from the Town Events & Amenities Committee budget 2011/12.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

It was also reported that five of the public seats on the Zig Zag could not be used as there are no slats.

RESOLVED: To inform NSC about the state of the seats on the Zig Zag.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

88.3 INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE CHANGE TO THE DOG BIN EMPTYING CONTRACT

To bring the Clevedon Town Council dog bin emptying schedule in line with the NSC schedule the bins would be emptied three times a week (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) all year round. At present the CTC dog bins are emptied twice a week May to October and once a week for the rest of the year. The new cost would be £2 per bin per emptying, at present the cost is £1 per bin per emptying. With the additional emptyings there would be an increase in cost of £528 per month.

RESOLVED: The Town Council dog and bin emptying contract to remain unchanged.

88.4 DOG BIN OFF CENTRAL WAY TEA/11/75

NSC had now confirmed that there had been no further communication from the complainant, therefore the dog bin will not now be re-positioned. NOTED

TEA/11/89 2012 QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE TEA/11/75

Clevedon residents had not responded to the Town Council newsletter article requesting Diamond Jubilee commemoration suggestions. Many Committee Members spoke against spending Town Council funding in this way in a time of severe financial restraint and felt any funding should be spend on something positive for the community ie for the benefit of young people if youth services in the town are to be reduced.

It was noted that themed flower beds in Alexandra Gardens were being explored but this would not be a permanent memorial.

RESOLVED: 1) The deadline for Diamond Jubilee commemoration suggestions be extended to 16th November 2011. If there are no suggestions the next TEA would conclude this item; 2) To ascertain whether there is funding available under The Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge – Where there is an opportunity to protect or create 2012 playing fields.
Action: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/11/90 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

- 90.1 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Cllr J Geldart – Meeting to be held the next evening. CCA awaiting a Site Meeting with NSC.
- 90.2 CURZON CINEMA Cllr J Geldart, Cllr T Morgan – Not able to attend last meeting.
- 90.3 STRODE CENTRE USER CTTE Cllr Blades Cllr Norton-Sealey – No meeting. Information received from Russ Currie, NSC, concerning the cleaning issues raised at a previous meeting. Andrew Ballentine is following these issues up as part of his contract monitoring role.
- 90.4 N SOM SAFETY & COASTAL ADVISORY GROUP Cllr T Morgan – Not able to attend. Request minutes.
- 90.5 CLEVEDON CIVIC SOCIETY Cllr C Wring – Minutes of last meeting available.
- 90.6 CLEVEDON PIER TRUST Third Thursday of month Cllrs C Hall, Cllr L Knott – Report of positive meeting.
- 90.7 CLEVEDON SAILING CLUB CTTE Cllr L Knott
- 90.8 CLEVEDON TWINNING ASSOCIATION Cllr C Hall – No further information.

DRAFT MINUTES SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL

TEA/11/90 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES continued...

- 90.9 N SOM CAB Cllr R Garner – No report.
- 90.10 POLICE & COMMUNITIES TOGETHER Cllr P McNeill - Neighbourhood Watch newsletter available.
- 90.11 GWILLIAM & WOODWARD TRUST Cllr L Little reported that the Clerk of the Trust had died suddenly. A meeting is being arranged to elect a new Clerk before the next regular meeting in November.
- 90.12 CLEVEDON HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD
Cllr R Garner TEA/11/76.12 NOTE: Membership of this Board is being reviewed and a decision concerning Cllr McNeill’s request to join the Board is awaited.
NOTE: Cllr Hime would also like to join this Board if possible.
- 90.13 CLEVEDON PRIDE Cllr A Withers reported on recent and future fund raising activities. It is hoped the switching on of the Christmas Lights can be co-ordinated.

TEA/11/91 FOR INFORMATION Members received and noted the following items;

- 91.1 CLEVEDON CCTV STATISTICS FOR JULY 2011.
- 91.2 SOMERSET PLAYING FIELDS ASSOC NEWSLETTER - THE PLAYING FIELD

TEA/11/92 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were none.

TEA/11/93 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS

There were none.

The meeting finished at 8.45 pm APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN:.....DATE:.....