

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 10th MAY 2017

PRESENT: Cllr C Francis-Pester – Committee Chairman in the Chair
 Cllrs C Blades, J Geldart, B Hatch, L Little, J Norton-Sealey,
 A Shopland, G Watkins.
 Mrs I Johnson – Deputy Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs P Heath – Town Clerk for agenda item 16
 Mr G Withers NSC Senior Green Spaces Officer – informal
 business

7.30 pm **INFORMAL BUSINESS - NSC UPDATE** Mr Withers reported;

1. THE BEACH CLEVEDON JET SKI SIGN – Sign now installed
2. SEAFRONT RAILINGS Currently no resources for re-painting. The railings are in good condition apart from a small amount of rusting on the seaward side. Concern expressed that the poor state of the railings from the Sailing Club to the Millennium Monument detracted from the much improved seafront.
RESOLVED: Cllr Blades and Mr Withers to investigate possible sources of funding as a matter of some urgency.
3. SALTHOUSE FIELDS the Marine Lake Contractor has agreed to carry out work to the path alongside the Skate Park and MUGA with NSC contributing to works to the path from the MUGA to the entrance to the fields. The re-tarmacking of the path will allow access when this low spot on the fields floods. A minor problem on the Marine Lake sluice is to be rectified by the Contractor.
4. STRODE ROAD PLAYING FIELDS REPLACEMENT BOLLARDS This is a matter of some urgency . It is hoped that NSC can ensure the bollards are secure in the short term as there is no funding for concrete bollards in the Leisure Centre budget. Mr Withers to investigate the state of the wooden bollards at Hazell Close Playing Fields which are starting to rot.
5. ALEXANDRA GARDENS REPLACEMENT OF SEATS – Cllr B Hatch reported that Mrs Knott had been in discussion with Clevedon Lions seeking funding to replace some of the seats (2 seats have no slats just the uprights). The Committee was asked whether they would be in agreement to the use of recycled plastic seats. Members unanimously supported this option. The Lions Club to contact Mr Withers if they are able to assist.

7.55 pm **FORMAL BUSINESS**

TEA/17/655 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs G Hill and T Morgan – out of Clevedon; Cllr K O'Brien – another commitment.

TEA/17/656 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

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

TEA/17/657 MINUTES OF TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON
15th MARCH 2017

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

PART 1**TEA/17/658 REPORT OF NORTH SOMERSET TOWN & PARISH COUNCIL
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP ON 4TH MAY 2017**

Cllr Geldart reported the Town and Parish Councils in North Somerset had been asked to complete a questionnaire on youth provision. Out of 39 local councils 24 had responded. The Youth Workshop had been a result of this questionnaire although only 9-10 councils were represented. There were presentations made by YMCA Somerset Coast; Avon Scouts; Wesport who engage young people using sport and from Karen Pike who used to be a Youth Worker at The Barn until NSC cut funding and she then started her own company providing Youth Workers not just at the Barn but to other towns and villages in North Somerset. The presentation slides from this Workshop are available in the Town Council Office.

NSC no longer fund youth provision in North Somerset however there are grants available from other bodies, however it was emphasised that youth work is not just about money. 46% of the local councils who responded to the questionnaire had no youth strategy. Many of these councils had expressed an interest in developing a youth strategy. Cllr Geldart applauded the fact that Clevedon Town Council had a history of supporting youth work in Clevedon.

RESOLVED: To ask Council to discuss whether or not to set up a new Sub-Committee of full Council to consider existing youth provision in Clevedon and future plans.

PART 2**TEA/17/658 ITEMS ARISING FROM NSC STREETS & OPEN SPACES UPDATE**

See Informal Business above.

**TEA/17/659 TO RECEIVE THE TEA COMMITTEE BUDGET UP TO THE END OF
THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/17**

Members noted the 2016/17 budget figures as circulated with the agenda.

**TEA/17/660 PROPOSED PROVISION OF A YOUTH SHELTER ON SALTHOUSE
FIELDS TEA/17/641**

Members recalled that a group of young people had attended a past TEA Committee meeting to discuss the above. Recently the Chairman of Council had met with a Youth Worker from The Barn who had indicated that what the young people really wanted was not a youth shelter rather for the skate park to be enhanced and updated. No specific plans from the young people were available as yet. As the skate park is the responsibility of Clevedon Town Council it was;

RESOLVED: 1. To refer the proposed updating of the skate park to the Property Committee for consideration. 2. To contact the Youth Worker and invite the young people to present their proposals to a future meeting of that Committee. 3. Not to progress the proposed youth shelter.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/17/661 THE RE-PRINT OF THE CLEVEDON ILLUSTRATED MAP

TEA/17/642

Cllr Geldart reported that she had held back on the updates to the map in connection with the last Broadchurch series until the series had ended to make sure she captured all the locations. Cllr Geldart had visited West Bay and found that the town had made little of its role in Broadchurch. The original illustrated map had been well received. It was felt the format was very professional.

RESOLVED: Cllr Geldart would continue to amend the map prior to printing. The funding for this had been carried forward to the 2017/18 TEA Committee budget. She would also assist with distribution. **Action: Cllr J Geldart**

TEA/17/662 THEATRE ORCHARD CLEVEDON THEATRE SHOP

Committee Members had been forwarded by email this application as requested for funding and the annual report and financial statements. Concern was expressed that the information had not been provided earlier.

Cllr Geldart reported that Theatre Orchard is grateful for the support of the Town Council in the past. They are planning a good programme of events. She highlighted the fact that Clevedon is fortunate in attracting this calibre of productions and artists to their town centre. Members were reminded that, following issues raised previously, it had been agreed that funding for town events and other leisure activities had been included separately in the TEA budget and was not part of the small grants application process. This application is similar to that made by Nailsea & District Community Transport who applied each year to the Transport & Highways Committee.

RESOLVED: VOTE: 6 FOR 0 AGAINST To a grant of £4,000 to the Clevedon Theatre Shop to be funded from the 2017/18 TEA Committee budget allocation 'Town Events and other leisure activities'.

TEA/17/663 TO RECEIVE MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE FOR SALTHOUSE FIELDS TENNIS COURTS HELD ON 29TH MARCH 2017

Cllr Watkins reported that the main reason for this additional meeting of the Sub-Committee had been discussions with Stuart Bannerman with regard to tennis coaching on the tennis courts. The coaching had now commenced and the Sub-Committee would welcome any feedback from Councillors as part of the monitoring of this activity. The Sub-Committee would meet again on 31st May 2017. NOTED.

TEA/17/664 CLEVEDON TRIANGLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2017

The Committee Chairman reported on a recent meeting with the Christmas Lights Contractor to ensure the smooth operation of the Christmas lights in 2017. The outcome of this meeting would be reported back to the next Sub-Committee meeting on Thursday 25th May 2017. NOTED.

TEA/17/665 ITEMS ARISING FROM ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON 24TH APRIL 2017;

665.1 LITTER ON THE BEACH1) It had been reported that a large amount of plastic tags had been left on the beach after the power boat competition. These had been removed by the resident. Mr Withers had been asked about this during informal business and had said this was the responsibility of the Event

Organiser. 2) General litter and plastic on the beach had also increased day to day.

RESOLVED: To follow this up with NSC and the Event Organiser.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

665.2 CLEVEDON COMMUNITY GARDENERS A request had been made for assistance with watering areas planted by the Clevedon Community Gardens. Following the meeting a quotation had been obtained from the CTC Contractor however the Group had now made separate arrangements for one of these areas so the quote was now inaccurate. The possibility of purchasing a water bowser for the Group was put forward.

RESOLVED: To discuss further with Clevedon Community Gardeners.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/17/666 TO AGREE A LOCATION FOR THE ADDITIONAL DOG BIN ON JESMOND ROAD TEA/16/614

RESOLVED: To locate the dog bin on the grassed area close to the footway.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/17/667 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES;

Community Association Cllr C Francis-Pester reported that bookings had increased however there were maintenance issues still to be addressed.

N Somerset Safety & Coastal Advisory Group Cllr A Giles-Townsend had been unable to attend the meeting held on 24th April 2017.

Clevedon Civic Society Cllr J West Minutes of the Executive meeting held on 6th April 2017 were available.

Strode Leisure Centre User Group Cllrs C Blades, J Norton-Sealey, J Geldart. No meeting. Cllr Hatch, as a regular user of the Centre, reported that there had been improvement in cleanliness.

Clevedon Pier Trust Cllr C Francis-Pester reported that Phil Curme is taking over from Simon Talbot-Ponsonby when he retires as Chairman later this month. It was noted that the aim of the Pier is to be self-sufficient.

Clevedon Sailing Club Ctte Cllr B Hatch had provided the Club with a contact who may assist with ownership and repairs issues regarding the Slipway.

Clevedon Twinning Association Cllr G Watkins reported that a decision on Erasmus funding for a possible schools magazine is still awaited. A small party would be visiting Middlekerke later this month along with the other twinned towns.

CANS Cllr B Hatch reported that there may be plans to make alterations to the Clevedon Office. This would be considered by the Property Committee.

Police & Communities Together Cllrs J Geldart, G Hill Next meeting 16th May 2017. Communications from PACT and Neighbourhood Watch were available.

Gwilliam & Woodward Trust Cllr A Shopland reported on a meeting at the beginning of April. All the applications received by the Trust had been awarded some funding.

Clevedon Tides Festival Cllrs C Francis-Pester, B Hatch, G Watkins. The possibility of charging for use of Marine Lake at the festival is being discussed.

Clevedon Commissioning Network Cllr J Geldart. No meeting.

MARLENS Trustees Cllr C Hall No report.

Farmers' Market Co-op Cllr J West. Nothing to report.

Land Yeo Friends Cllr Watkins, Cllr J Geldart Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2017 were available. At a recent meeting there had been discussions about a future project – The Two Rivers Walkway and its inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan.

TEA/17/668 CCTV

The log for February 2017 was available.

Proposed , seconded and resolved that the following item was heard under section 1 (2) Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed with regard to tenders.

TEA/17/669 TO CONSIDER TENDERS FOR THE WEEKLY GENERAL MARKET

Four companies had be invited to tender but only 2 had responded. It was noted that there are only 3 specialist market companies in this country. The Town Clerk had summarised the two tenders in a confidential report that had been circulated to all Councillors. The full tenders are available for scrutiny in the Town Council Office. Following detailed consideration it was agreed that Company B would provide the Town Council with greater clarity on funding and potential income than Company A was proposing

RESOLVED: VOTE: 4 FOR 0 AGAINST To accept the tender from Company B as per the report. **Action: Town Clerk**

TEA/17/670 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

670.1 FRIENDS OF HERBERT GARDENS The Committee Chairman reported on proposals for the Gardens. These would be considered by the Property Committee.

TEA/17/671 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS

It was agreed that agenda item 6 should be a part 1 item.

The meeting finished at 9.20 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

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