

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC TOILET WORKING GROUP AT CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL, 44 OLD STREET, CLEVEDON, BS21 6BU ON MONDAY 2ND JUNE 2014 AT 7.30

PRESENT

Councillors L. Knott, L. Little, N. Pennycott, D. Shopland, G Watkins (7.34)

PTWG 14/1 ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE WORKING GROUP

Cllr Pennycott as Chairman of the Council called for nominations for Chairman.

Cllr Watkins arrived during the vote

Two nominations were proposed and seconded, Cllr Knott and Cllr D Shopland. Following 2 votes it was resolved and **AGREED** that Cllr D Shopland would be Chairman of the Public Toilets Working Group by a vote of 3 to 2.

PTWG 14/2 RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Geldart (family commitment). Cllr Morgan's apologies were received after the meeting recorded on the answerphone at 7.06pm.

PTWG 14/3 RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no disclosable or personal interests declared for items on the agenda.

PTWG 14/4 DISCUSS AND DECIDE ON THE OPTIONS TO BE INVESTIGATED WITHIN THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Statement of intent to be added to the Terms of Reference: That the Public Toilet Working Group aim is to maintain and improve existing facilities and where possible provide more public toilets.

Members discussed various options and agreed the following:-

- Using the storage area within the Station Road building to install more toilets
- Seeing if any improvements could be made to the Chalet Toilets
- Establishing the future of Pier Copse and Alexandra Road toilets under its current management
- Establish the future of Pier Copse site for new toilets
- Establish the future of Sixways Toilets, investigate the possibility of taking over the lease or sub - letting from NSC and reopening the toilets.

The Town Clerk informed the members of the recent communication with North Somerset Council in respect of the demolition of the toilets.

Members discussed the toilets at Ladye Bay but it was agreed that the extent of time since these were closed plus the anti-social activities in the area meant this would not be considered.

PTWG 14/5 AGREE ACTION POINTS FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

There were no action points for Members

The Town Clerk is to

1. Obtain keys and access to Sixways and The Pier Toilets for the site visits
2. Write to the Pier to request information on the future maintenance of the toilets including timescale for the new visitors centre.
3. To establish if the toilets in the centre will only be accessible from the Pier so would incorporate an entrance fee.
4. Write to North Somerset Council to ask if the Town Council could purchase or lease the site of the Pier Copse Toilets
5. To write to the Pier Angling Club and ask if they would be willing to take over the gents toilets if/when the Pier gives up its licence to occupy
6. Write to Wessex Reserve Forces & Cadet Association to establish whether in principal they would agree to transfer the lease of the building to the Town Council
7. Write to North Somerset Council to establish what the costs would be for Sixways toilets to be reopened and maintained with the cost being paid by Clevedon Town Council

PTWG 14/6 DECIDE ON THE NEXT MEETING DATE & TIME

A site meeting will be on 17th June – starting at 9.30 at Station Road Toilets, then The Chalet toilets, Pier Copse/Alexandra Road, finishing with Sixways with a meeting being held in the Council offices immediately after the site visits.

Members noted that as the Working Group had been set up by the Council the minutes would be received by Council but the final draft report would be considered by the Environment & Property Committee before being sent to Council as per the Terms of Reference.

Meeting closed at 7.50pm

Chairman Date