

CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 1st February 2012

PRESENT: Cllr L Little – Committee Vice-Chairman in the Chair
 Cllrs J Geldart, L Knott, P McNeill, A Walker, A Withers,
 Mrs I Johnson – Deputy Town Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr S Edwards – Land Yeo Friends for Informal Business only.

7.30 PM INFORMAL BUSINESS

1. REQUEST FOR LITTER BINS ALONG THE LAND YEO RIVER

The Land Yeo Friends now regularly clean up this river and have noticed that in areas where footpaths and footbridges cross the river more litter collects in the water. The particular areas of concern are Meadow Road and the footbridge over to the South Clevedon Playing Field. Mr Edwards recalled that litter bins used to be sited by these two footbridges. There are also problems of litter possibly blown into the river from the licensed street traders on Strode Road and the Town Centre market.

Representatives of the Land Yeo Friends and Clevedon Pride had visited Clevedon School to highlight litter issues in Clevedon. The Land Yeo Friends also hoped to make a presentation to the School about the Land Yeo River.

Mr Edwards thanked the Town Council for their grants to the Friends in the past which had enabled them to purchase equipment to assist with their litter picks.

See also minute TEA/12/115.1 below.

2. STREETS AND OPEN SPACES UPDATE

Mr G Withers was not present at the meeting.

TEA/12/107 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Francis-Pester – illness, Cllrs Morgan and Shopland – other commitments.

TEA/12/108 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Withers declared a personal interest in Clevedon Pride - min TEA/112 and TEA/116.

TEA/12/109 MINUTES

The minutes of the Town Events & Amenities Committee held on 7th December 2011 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

TEA/12/110 UPDATES ON ACTION ITEMS NOT ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

There were no items.

TEA/12/111 UPDATE ON CURRENT COMMITTEE BUDGET FOR 2011/12

Members received and noted the update on the Town Events & Amenities Committee budget for 2011/12.

111.2 UPDATE ON PLANTERS FOR OLD STREET TEA101.3 AND POSSIBLE RETROSPECTIVE APPROVAL OF INVOICES

The two planted planters are now in place. In future these new planters would be included in the new contract for the planting and maintenance of flower beds and planters.

RESOLVED: To approve the payment of the invoice for two new planted planters in Old Street in the sum of £161.90 from the 2011/12 Town Events & Amenities Committee budget.

TEA/12/111 UPDATE ON CURRENT COMMITTEE BUDGET FOR 2011/12 cont'd

111.3 ZIG ZAG DOG BIN TEA100.2

Members NOTED that the total cost for this bin would be £113.57 (the fixing cost) as a second hand bin has been provided by NSC. The bin would now be included in the NSC dog bin emptying contract.

111.4 MUGA

LITTER BINS TEA100.1

The litter bins had been installed that day by the NSC Ranger Service.

CERTIFICATE

The Clerk and the Chairman of Council had inspected the MUGA and would be signing a Certificate of Satisfaction for the MUGA the following day provided the Committee had no concerns.

OFFICIAL OPENING

Arrangements for a short 5 a side football match against the Police were discussed. The Clerk had suggested a date at the beginning of March. Members felt the official opening and naming of the MUGA could be linked to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

RESOLVED: The opening of the MUGA to be agreed by full Council on 22 February 2012 and the naming of the MUGA by the 2012 Queens Diamond Jubilee Sub-Committee see minute TEA/12/114 below **ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk**

TEA/12/112 REVIEW OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2011/12

112.1 HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Two committee members reported that residents had asked that the lights be switched on earlier than 4.00 pm and then switched off earlier possibly 10.00 pm. It was noted that Clevedon Pride hoped to change the switch on time for their Christmas lights. The need to ensure the lights are switched off after 6th January was also mentioned.

RESOLVED: To investigate the hours of operation for the Christmas Lights in 2012/13.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

112.2 NEW LIGHTS 2012/13

The infrastructure for the lights would be checked this summer and any replacement bulbs ordered. The Deputy Town Clerk reported an approximate balance of £850 in the allocation for the Christmas lights this year. The sum of £3,000 had been included in the 2012/13 Committee budget for the possible purchase of new lights. It was pointed out that the street column decorations around the Clock Tower may need replacement in the future.

The NSC Councillor for South Ward raised the fact that the lights in the tree in Queen Square were not working this year and asked whether consideration could be given to new lights.

RESOLVED: 1. To earmark the remainder of the allocation for the 2011/12 Christmas lights in the Town Events & Amenities budget for new/replacement lights in 2012/13.

2. To investigate replacement lights to emphasise the shape of the branches of the tree in Queens Square on the basis of possible match funding for these lights from Clevedon Pride.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/12/113 NOTIFICATION OF AN INCREASE IN DOG & LITTER BIN EMPTYING COSTS FROM 1 APRIL 2012

The Fountains Group had advised the Town Council that their contract with NSC had been extended for one year until 31st March 2013. The company gave notice of an increase in the cost of emptying dog bins and litter bins from 1st April 2012. The new price will be £2 per empty per bin. Any new litter or dog waste bins that are installed will be emptied at a cost of £5 per bin as per the current arrangement.

RESOLVED: To accept the new price for dog bin emptying.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/12/114 2012 QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE TEA/11/97

114.1 MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: To appoint Cllrs Geldart and Withers to the Sub-Committee and ask other Councillors by email if they wish to be members of the Sub-Committee. Deadline for nominations 8 February 2012.

ACTION: Deputy Town clerk

114.2 DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: To accept the terms of reference for the Sub-Committee.

114.3 DATE FOR THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

RESOLVED: To be agreed after 8 February 2012. Possibly to be held during the day.

114.4 LETTER FROM RESIDENT

Members received a letter highlighting the lack of public conveniences adjacent to the Salthouse Fields Children's playground questioning whether these could be provided rather than any other commemoration for the Diamond Jubilee.

RESOLVED: To reply to the letter highlighting the financial restraints at NSC.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

TEA/12/115 ITEMS ARISING FROM INFORMAL BUSINESS ABOVE

115.1 REQUEST FOR LITTER BINS ALONG THE LAND YEO RIVER

RESOLVED: 1. To ask NSC to reinstate the litter bins at the footbridges in Meadow Road and South Clevedon Playing Field. 2. A Committee Member to speak informally with the street traders in Strode Road.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

115.2 NSC UPDATE There was no update from Mr G Wither however the following were discussed;

PIER COPSE TOILETS – Sign to Ladies Toilet now in place.

MARINE LAKE – Meetings held with NSC, CTC and other Clevedon organisations. The Town Council is collating background information regarding the heritage of the Lake for inclusion in the bid for HLF funding. An article had been included in the Town Council Newsletter this month and Clevedon School is being approached about a possible local history project.

MAINTENANCE OF THE BANDSTAND – CLEVEDON SEAFRONT

NSC and Clevedon Civic Society are currently working on an application to BIFFA for the refurbishment of the Bandstand and are looking to include the offer of Cotswold Homes Ltd to carry out the repainting.

RESOLVED: To write a letter of thanks to Cotswold Homes Ltd.

ACTION: Deputy Town Clerk

**TEA/12/116 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON
OUTSIDE BODIES**

116.1 **Community Association** Cllr J Geldart. No meeting. Still financial concerns.

116.2 **Curzon Cinema** – Cllr J Geldart. Not able to attend meeting last week. Plans for fundraising in this centenary year.

116.3 **Strode Centre User Cttee** Cllr Blades had provided a written report on the meeting held in December 2011. NSC has extended the contract with DC Leisure for a further 5 years and as a result there will be no major capital expenditure in this period. Concerns raised about the changing rooms and diving boards.

116.4 **N Som Safety & Coastal Advisory Group** Cllr T Morgan. No meeting.

116.5 **Clevedon Civic Society** Cllr C Wring had provided a written report detailing the timetable and remit of the various Civic Society groups. As mentioned above the Civic Society is involved in the bids for funding for both Marine Lake and the Bandstand. A Big Litter Pick is planned for Monday 2nd April.

116.6 **Clevedon Pier Trust** Third Thursday of month Cllrs C Hall, Cllr L Knott. No further information.

116.7 **Clevedon Sailing Club Cttee** Cllr L Knott No sailing at present.

116.8 **Clevedon Twinning Association** Cllr C Hall. No report.

116.9 **N Som CAB** Cllr R Garner. No report.

116.10 **Police & Communities Together** Cllr P McNeill. Meeting on 7th February 2012.

116.11 **Gwilliam & Woodward Trust** Cllr L Little. Next meeting on 7th February 2012.

116.12 **Clevedon Hospital Redevelopment Project Advisory Board** Membership of the Board has now been agreed and Cllrs Garner and McNeill invited to attend the meeting on 14 December 2011. Further meeting planned following consideration of the outcome of a review of the full business case by the PCT's Trust Board. New appointments; David Tappin Director responsible for the project going forward, supported by Andrew Hughes PCT's associate Director for Business Development.

Cllr McNeill would forward a copy of the minutes. The new hospital would now be reduced in size with the possibility of future extensions.

116.13 **Clevedon Pride** Cllr A Withers. The Group had raised sufficient funding to allow the provision of Christmas lights as previous years. A programme of events for 2012 had been agreed to assist with the provision of Christmas lights and planting this year.

TEA/12/117 FOR INFORMATION To receive and note the following items available at the meeting;

117.1 Clevedon CCTV Statistics – November 2011

117.2 Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter New Year 2012

TEA/12/118 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

There were none.

TEA/12/119 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS

There were no Part 1 items.

The meeting finished at 8.44 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

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