

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT & PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN**  
**THE COUNCIL OFFICES, 44 OLD STREET, CLEVEDON ON WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY**  
**2012**

**PRESENT:** Councillors D Shopland Committee Chairman  
C. Bussey, B. Garner, C. Hall, L. Little, P McNeill, J Middleton,  
N Pennycott.  
Town Clerk – Ms P. Heath,  
In Attendance Councillor B Hatch, A Walker

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr N Foster on behalf of Clevedon YMCA spoke on the project being proposed to cultivate and use the area of Land between Highdale Avenue and Highdale Road owned by Clevedon Town Council. The YMCA are proposing to work with local groups and community to plant a wildflower meadow along with area that are cultivated for fruit and vegetables. YMCA will through 100% funding from Biffa erect a fence to protect the cultivated area from being attacked by local wildlife, the fence will have several gates that will not be locked to enable members of the public to access the site. They hoped to plant low hedges and create themed areas attracting various insects, bees and wildlife to the flower garden area, working from a small area and extending as volunteers join the project. It is envisaged that the project could take 4 to 5 years before the whole site was cleared and replanted. The YMCA were hoping the council would lease or enter a service level agreement with them for the whole of the site, they would undertake to maintain and fund the project. Members question Mr Foster on the methodology and funding of the projects and the safeguards on the reinstatement of the area.

**EP12/213 TO ELECT VICE CHAIRMAN**

Proposed by Cllr Shopland, seconded by Cllr Hall and RESOLVED that Cllr Garner should serve as Vice Chairman for the year 2012/2013

**EP 12/214 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and approved from Councillor C Francis-Pester (family commitment)

**EP 12/215 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There was only 1 declaration of interest by Cllr Garner as a member of the YNCA management board.

**EP 12/216 RECEIVE AND AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT & PROPERTY COMMITTEE HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2012**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012 and ratified at the Council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2012 were agreed.

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SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL

**EP 12/217 RECEIVE DETAIL OF BUDGET AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE COMMITTEE,**

Members noted the budget and expenditure papers that had been circulated with the agenda.

**PART 1**

**EP 12/218 DISCUSS PRESENTATION BY YMCA ON THE LAND BETWEEN HIGHDALE AVENUE, HIGHDALE ROAD**

Members discussed the presentation and the information provided.

Proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** to Council that they negotiate a lease with the YMCA for the area of land in the Council's ownership between Highdale Road & Highdale Avenue. The lease should be for 10 years with a break clause after 5 years; should include a reinstatement policy with assurances of funding; and that the Council has design, installation and specification control of any structures on the site such as the fencing

**PART 2**

**EP 12/219 RECEIVE UPDATE CONCERNING THE WALL AT HERBERT GARDENS/ PRINCES ROAD PROPERTIES**

Members noted that no communication had been received

**EP 12/220 REVIEW AND CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WINDING AND MAINTENANCE OF TRIANGLE CLOCK**

The current procedures and financial arrangements Members were happy to note them and for the system to continue

**EP 12/221 RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE VILLAGE HALL**

A meeting between the working group and the structural engineer has yet to be arranged.

**EP 12/222 RECEIVE UPDATE ON THE CONTROL PANEL ADJUSTMENT**

A verbal report was given by Cllr Garner on the lack of wiring drawings for the heating system.

Proposed seconded and AGREED that Cllr Francis-Pester and Cllr Garner would provide details of companies to the Town Clerk as per minute No 12/204 and that quotations are obtained to replace the control panel. Also prices to repair the current panel should a company able to repair the system be found.

**EP 12/223 RECEIVE AND NOTE CORRESPONDENCE IN RESPECT OF 42 OLD STREET**

Members noted and agreed the recommendation from the Housing Agent to retain the rent at its current level

**EP 12/224 RECEIVE AND DISCUSS LETTER FROM RESIDENT CONCERNING HERBERT GARDENS**

Members discussed the letter and the request to allow wild flowers around the edge of Herbert Gardens and felt that it may be possible, it was agreed to hold a site meeting at 6.30pm prior to the next E & P Committee Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> July

**EP 12/225 CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS TO REPAINT THE ENTRANCE HALL AND ROOM 2 FOLLOWING REPAIR WORK TO THE WALL.**

Members discuss the redecoration in detail.  
Proposed seconded and **AGREED** that the Caretaker should repaint the entrance hall matching as close as possible the current colour.  
Proposed seconded and **AGREED** that the Council will not repaint room 2 but for the caretaker to paint over the repaired sections with a close match paint accepting that time will have faded the original paintwork.

*The following item was heard under s 2 (1) Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to the confidential financial nature of the business to be discussed. Members of the Public and Press were required to leave the meeting.*

**EP 12/226 RECEIVE RECOMMENDATION FROM ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE-AL/12/117**

**EP 12/228 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The Chairman had no Items for information.

**EP 12/229 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS.**

The meeting finished at 8.25pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

CHAIRMAN ..... Date .....