

**CLEVEDON TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 44 OLD STREET ON WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2016**

**PRESENT:** Cllr C Francis-Pester – Committee Chairman in the Chair  
Cllrs G Hill, L Little, G Watkins. Mrs I Johnson – Deputy Town Clerk

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Cllrs D Flint, B Hatch.  
Mr S Harrison; Mrs S Miller, President, Clevedon Lions, Mr G Withers, NSC Senior Green Spaces Officer – Informal Business only

**7.30 pm INFORMAL BUSINESS**

1. **COMMEMORATION OF 100 YEARS OF LIONS CLUB**

Sue Miller informed Members that from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016 The Lions Club would be celebrating their centenary and 48 years of the Lions Club in Clevedon. The Club wanted to contribute something long lasting for Clevedon in commemoration of the Lions Club. The following suggestions were put forward;

- A Clevedon Heritage Trail – This had been discounted as Clevedon already has something similar.
- Public benches either around Marine Lake or repairs/replacement of the benches in the semi circle opposite the Bandstand.
- A public noticeboard in the town centre possibly on a private building with their permission.
- Welcome to Clevedon signs with the Lions logo perhaps indicating that Clevedon Lions is now twinned with Epernay Lions Club.

Mr Withers joined the discussion and advised that the choice of benches would have to be suitable for the area ie Marine Lake would require heavy concrete bespoke benches due to the high tides, salt water and weather conditions. Also the public benches adjacent to the Bandstand would need to match benches in the area and be of a certain standard. It was reported that the Town Council had not long ago replaced the town signs at all the entrance roads to the town.

Mr Withers would discuss the suggestions further with the Lions Club.

2. **NSC UPDATE**

Mr Withers reported on;

**MARINE LAKE** – The Open Day and launch of the restored Lake is next Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April starting at 10.00 am with the official opening at 3.00 pm. All Councillors invited. There would be a clean up of the Salthouse Fields prior to this event.

**SALTHOUSE FIELDS FLAGS** – Now replaced by MARLENS volunteers.

**THE BEACH FLAGS** – Now replaced by NSC.

**SEAFRONT RAILINGS** – **Mr Withers to seek costings for this work.**

**SALTHOUSE FIELDS** – Work had commenced to the damaged area used as a works compound for Marine Lake but this could not be finished as it had been too wet. The compaction of the ground is being addressed. The Chairman raised concerns about the forthcoming Fun Fare and Circus and how it had in the past resulted in the Salthouse Fields being very muddy for some weeks after these events. **Mr Withers would investigate.**

**COASTAL FOOTPATH CLEVEDON TO WESTON SUPER MARE** – Referred to Transport & Highways Committee who hoped to invite a representative from Natural England.

NOTICEBOARDS - Members requested that the large noticeboards on the promenade, Strode Centre and Community Centre be used for more Clevedon events rather than Weston events. This is supported by Clevedon 2020 whose members are asking for more publicity of events and services in other parts of the town. **Mr Withers to investigate.**

**8.55 pm FORMAL BUSINESS**

**TEA/16/530 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs C Blades – out of Clevedon; Cllrs L Little, J Norton-Sealey, A Shopland – unwell; J Geldart – family commitment.

**TEA/16/531 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

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

**TEA/16/532 MINUTES OF TOWN EVENTS & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> FEBRUARY 2016**

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

**TEA/16/533 TO RECEIVE UPDATE ON COMMITTEE BUDGET 2015/16**

The information was NOTED.

**PART 1**

**TEA/16/534 TO RECEIVE REPORT OF THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2016**

The report was received and noted.

534.1 TO RATIFY EXPENDITURE ON NEW CATENARY WIRES AND ANCHOR TESTING PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE NEW CHRISTMAS LIGHTS CONTRACT DETAILED IN THE REPORT

**RESOLVED:** TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL that the works to the infrastructure be carried out prior to the commencement of the new Christmas Lights Contract. The funding of up to £2,000 to be allocated from the TEA Christmas lights budget 2016/17. **NB:** Any shortfall between these works, new contract price (see below) and the TEA Christmas lights budget this year to be funded out of fundraising for the Christmas lights.

534.2 TO CONSIDER TENDERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS CONTRACT 2016-2019

It was noted that six companies had been invited to tender for this contract. Only two tenders had been received. These tenders differed in price by only £20.

**RESOLVED:** TO RECOMMEND THAT COUNCIL accept the lowest tender £8940.00 pa to be funded from the TEA Christmas lights budget.

**PART 2**

**TEA/16/535 ITEMS ARISING FROM INFORMAL BUSINESS ABOVE;**

535.1 TO CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS FROM CLEVEDON LIONS CLUB OF WAYS TO COMMEMORATE 100 YEARS OF LIONS

**RESOLVED:** To inform Clevedon Lions that; 1) The preference of the Committee would be for the refurbishment/replacement of seats in the Bandstand area with a

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sign commemorating this donation to the town. 2) The possibility of a sign at the entrance to the town could be investigated depending on the size, design and location of the signs and their relationship to the Town signs. 3) A public noticeboard on the Baptist Church would be dependent on the consent of the church. 4) A flower bed bedded out to commemorate 100 years of Lions may be possible next year but could be costly.

#### 535.2 NSC STREETS & OPEN SPACES UPDATE

**RESOLVED:** To enquire whether NSC had included a sum for the painting of the seafront railings in the 2016/17 budget.

#### **TEA/16/536 TO RECEIVE REPORT OF THE SALTHOUSE FIELDS TENNIS CLUB SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016**

The report was received and noted. It was suggested that flyers advertising the tennis courts could be distributed at forthcoming events on Salthouse Fields.

**RESOLVED:** To give the Sub-Committee delegated powers to spend the s106 contributions in the sum of £1,513 on capital items for the tennis courts as agreed with NSC. To include the relining of the courts in the in the sum of £544.50

#### **TEA/16/537 VISIT SOMERSET** TEA/16/518.1

**RESOLVED:** To defer to the next meeting of the Committee when feedback from Clevedon 2020 may be available.

#### **TEA/16/538 DOG BINS**

The Deputy Town Clerk reported observations made by residents to the Town Council Office concerning dog fouling and the need for additional dog bins. The residents had been informed of the TEA criteria for new dog bins. It was noted that there is now a new facebook page – Clevedon Dogs.

#### **TEA/16/539 DOG BIN EMPTYING CONTRACT**

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that since the end of January on each of the two weekly dog bin emptyings on average 10 out of the 23 bins had been full and on several occasions there had been waste outside some bins.

**RESOLVED:** To continue the two emptyings per week as budgeted in the 2016/17 TEA budget.

#### **TEA/16/540 DOG BIN – TEIGNMOUTH ROAD** TEA/16/520.3

**RESOLVED:** To accept one of the quotations to re-position this dog bin in the sum of £70.

#### **TEA/16/541 QUEENS SQUARE AND OLD STREET PLANTERS** **TEA/16/522 – TO CONSIDER ATTACHED QUOTATIONS FROM REMOVAL OF OLD PLANTERS**

Two quotations had been received however Mr Sam Harrison offered to dispose of the planters and soil free of charge as part of his work with Clevedon Pride who he hoped would cover any liability.

**RESOLVED:** The Committee thanked Mr Harrison and accepted his offer to remove the old planters. The timescale etc to be agreed with the Deputy Town Clerk.

#### **TEA/16/542 MOTION FOR A YOUTH SHELTER ON SALTHOUSE FIELDS** TEA/16/523

**RESOLVED:** To defer to the next meeting of the Committee as Cllr D Shopland was not present.

**TEA/16/543 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, CRIME AND POLICING ACT 2014 – PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDERS**

The table listing all the provisions for Clevedon had been circulated to all Councillors and was checked by Committee members. It was noted that Clevedon Cricket Club is now included under the 'fail to put a dog on a lead' legislation.

**RESOLVED:** To accept the consultation document without comment.

**TEA/16/544 REPORTS FROM TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES;**

**Community Association** Cllr C Francis-Pester reported that the events diary is filling up and there are plans to carry out work to the gardens area in consultation with NSC.

**N Somerset Safety & Coastal Advisory Group** Cllr A Giles-Townsend had reported that he had not been invited to any meetings this year.

**RESOLVED:** To follow this up with NSC

**Clevedon Civic Society** Cllr J West reported that the next meeting of Executive is on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at St Andrew's Centre.

**Strode Leisure Centre User Group** Cllrs C Blades, J Norton-Sealey, J Geldart Meeting arranged for 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

**Clevedon Pier Trust** Cllrs C Francis-Pester had been unable to attend the last meeting of the Trust.

**Clevedon Sailing Club Ctte** Cllr B Hatch – nothing to report.

**Clevedon Twinning Association** Cllr G Watkins reported on the recent successful visit to Epernay to celebrate 25 years of links with the town. Representatives from all the twin towns had met together to discuss heightening the profile of twinning. It was pleasing to note that Clevedon School is keen to liaise with Epernay and the other twinned towns.

**N Som CAB** Cllr B Hatch reported that CAB has changed to Citizens Advice North Somerset. Cllr Hatch had met with the new manager of the North Somerset branch, Fiona Cope, who agreed to update Cllr Hatch regularly. Volunteers now number 74 and there has been an increase in family law related issues. There are concerns about the front door at the Clevedon Office.

**RESOLVED:** Citizens Advice to liaise with the Town Clerk regarding the state of the door so that an item can be included on a Property Committee agenda.

**Police & Communities Together** Cllr G Hill Information from Clevedon Neighbourhood Watch and minutes of PACT held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 available at the meeting.

**Gwilliam & Woodward Trust** Cllr A Shopland – No report.

**Clevedon Tides Festival** Cllrs B Hatch reported on plans for the opening event on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016. The September Schools Day is now to be charged at £2 per head to cover initial costs. The viability of the pop up cinema for the Tides Festival is under review.

**Clevedon Commissioning Network** Cllr J Geldart – No report.

**MARLENS Trustees** – Cllr D Flint had resigned from being the Town Council representative however a replacement had not been appointed by Council. Due to changing circumstances she may now be able to be the representative. To be discussed at the Annual Statutory Meeting of Council on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

**Farmers' Market Co-op** Cllr J West had attended the AGM. The main concerns were 1) loss of footfall at Clevedon, also Nailsea and Portishead markets; 2) attracting new stall holders possibly craft stalls; 3) publicity.

**TEA/16/545 CCTV LOGS FOR DECEMBER 2015 AND JANUARY 2016**

The logs were NOTED.

**TEA/16/546 CHAIRMAN ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

There were no Chairman items for information.

**TEA/16/547 TO DETERMINE PART I AND PART II ITEMS**

Part I item – agenda item 6 Christmas Lights.

The meeting finished at 8.45 pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

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