

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 24TH JANUARY 2019

Voting members present: Cllrs: J Bryson (Chairman), S Browning, L Deely, T Gibbs, L Moores, F Partridge, H Partridge

Voting Members absent: F Richens and P Tilzey

Non-voting members present: Cllrs P La Broy and B Willingham

Officers present: Mr K Cornwell – Acting Town Clerk and RFO (ATC)

Mrs T Gliddon – Committee Administrator (CA)

Public present: 1

Meeting Start time: 7pm

- ES/01/19** **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Cllr P Kelly, P Moores and N Tucker
- ES/02/19** **To receive registered and non-registered disclosable pecuniary interests and non-registerable interests**
None
- ES/03/19** **Dispensations: to consider requests for dispensations**
None
- ES/04/19** **Minutes: to receive, confirm and sign the Minutes of the Environmental Services and Highways Committee Meeting held on 11th October 2018**
Resolved: That the Minutes were a true and accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman
- ES/05/19** **Public participation – a maximum of 15 minutes for public present to make comments concerning the business of the committee(maximum of 2 minutes per person - dependent on numbers present; questions must be directed through the Chairman)**
No comments made.
- ES/06/19** **The Weir – to receive an update and agree any future actions and expenditure**
The ATC updated the Committee. The Environment Agency (EA) had informed the ATC that a management programme would have to be in place before they could look at recommissioning the Weir. CC have no funding for a management programme (as in the past), CC also do not want to cause any increased risk to the harbour by having the Weir operational. If the Weir were recommissioned it would have to be fully funded by BSTC. Discussion took place.
Resolved: whilst the Committee aspire to raise the Weir, this has proven unfeasible due to financial and environmental reasons.

- ES/07/19** **Deed of Easement at the rear of The Crescent - To receive an update, correspondence (if any) and consider future actions and expenditure**
- The ATC gave an update. It was reported that one party had fully complied with the Deed of Easement. Another party were in contact with the office and working with the ATC to find an appropriate solution. Lengthy discussion took place.
- Resolved:** that suitable signage be put in place, 5 marked out spaces be provided, the remainder of the area be suitably restored.
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- ES/08/19** **The Sand Dunes – to receive an update and agree any further actions and expenditure**
- The ATC reported that he had been in contact with a CC officer. CC would need to seek expert advice on the environmental impact and have a study commissioned on the sand movement. CC had no funding and would ask BSTC to co fund any studies undertaken. Members discussed the Shoreline Management Plan, which is already in place, and the possibility of funding any further studies. The ATC would have further discussions with CC Officers and update at the next Committee meeting as appropriate.
- Resolved:** that the update be noted.
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- ES/09/19** **Finger posts – to receive an update on the devolution of finger posts and bicycle stands**
- The ATC reported that the programme of repair/renew the finger posts is behind schedule. CC has said that it should be complete by the end of March. Following discussion with CC this will now be a renewal programme.
- Resolved:** that the update be noted.
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- ES/10/19** **Mallard Cottage - To receive an update, correspondence (if any) and consider future actions and expenditure**
- It was reported that the office is corresponding with the owner of Mallard Cottage.
- Resolved:** to write to the owner of Mallard Cottage informing him that if more than one car is parked on BSTC land they will be ticketed. A request to meet with owner will be sought to resolve the situation.
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- ES/11/19** **Update on sewage pollution issues affecting areas of the town**
- The Committee discussed the recent meeting with a SSW representative. It was reported that a ten million pound investment was to be made in the Bude area.
- Resolved:** to write to SSW thanking them for attending the meeting with BSTC, for giving a comprehensive overview of the existing situation and keeping the lines of communication open.
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- ES/12/19** **To agree the priority areas for a Community Speed-watch scheme**
- Committee members had previously received notification of the Community Speed Watch Scheme. Discussion surrounding areas in Bude that might be appropriate for speed watch equipment were put forward. Stratton Road - Budehaven School to Kings Hill junction and Upton Meadows to Falcon Bridge were recommended.
- Resolved:** to agree the areas set out in the Speed Watch Scheme form as presented to the Committee

Cllr L Deely left the meeting at 8.20pm

ES/13/19 **To consider an annual price rise of 2.5% on Cemetery fees**
Resolved: to agree the annual price increase of 2.5% on Cemetery fees

ES/14/19 **Budget monitoring report Q3 2018/19**
Resolved: To note the monitoring report Q3 2018/19

Meeting closed 8.30pm

Chairman's Signature.....Date.....