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BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held via TEAMS
On MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2020 at 6.00pm

Present: Councillor J Evison (Chairman)
Councillors A Chapman, Mrs A Clark and N Jacques

Also Present: Councillor B Troop, Ms T Broughton (Town Clerk)

261. **Apologies for Absence**

None.

262. **Declarations of Interest**

Barton Lions Club – Councillor A Chapman (personal interest)
Barton Civic Society – Councillor N Jacques (personal interest)
Item no 9 – Councillor N Jacques (personal interest)

263. **Reports from Outside Organisations**

(a) **Barton Lions Club**

Still ongoing with help with the Goods Platform clearance at the Interchange. A few members of the Lions are assisting with this. Have made donations to a Hedgehog Rescue centre and to Barton Eco Farm project.

(b) **Barton Civic Society**

Have large number of documents from Brian Peeps archive and this is now with the Civic Society for public benefit. It will be archived and catalogued and a lot relates to St Peters Church.

In discussion with Tesco to use some of the land between them and Maltkiln Lane for tree planting sites. Permissions are still awaited.

Providence House will have the façade retained.

264. **Minutes of Meeting held on the 16 November 2020**

It was noted that these minutes had been signed as a correct record, for action as necessary, at a meeting of the town council held on 2 December 2020.

265. **Matters Arising**

Has there been any progress on the additional litterbins. There has been no further feedback and Town Clerk will chase up.

Meeting to be arranged for Action for Verges and this should be scheduled as soon as we can. Chairman will call and schedule a meeting in the next few days.

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266. **To receive responses from the public consultation on the Community Orchard on Lapwing Way and consider project plan**

Chairman thanked Cllr Jacques for the detailed report. North Lincolnshire Council will just need to undertake a site check to check for underground pipes and following this permission will be granted. It is hoped that subject to any other contingencies progress will take place from mid March COVID permitting. If not it will be in the Autumn. Trees will be sourced once the date is confirmed. The area is to the south of Lapwing Way up to the fence that borders with the Humber Bridge Land. There is a triangle piece of land which is no mans land. It has been suggested to try and acquire that piece of land which would be a superb location for quite a large orchard. One member stated that there may be electrical cables associated with the Humber Bridge but it was questioned as to whether these were on Humber Bridge land. Chairman stated that this information should be forwarded to North Lincolnshire Council.

RESOLVED To continue with tree planting Community Orchard project once all investigations have been carried out as to underground cables and permissions acquired from North Lincolnshire Council.

267. **To receive the responses from the public consultation on the Wild Flower Verge on Butts Road and consider project plan**

This project can be undertaken this planting season March to Mid May in a COVID secure way. One member asked about the area outside 186 Butts Road. The owner will be contacted.

Cllr Mrs A Clark declared a personal interest as she is the owner of the land right up to the footpath.

268. **To receive correspondence received relating to a field surrounding ground along Silver Birch Lodge Park on Waterside Road**

Correspondence has been received from a number of concerned residents. Concern is related to what is happening next door.

Chairman explained that North Lincolnshire Council will be investigating with Planning and Environmental Health.

269. **Planters and Hanging Baskets, bedding on Ferriby Road and Barrow Road – contract and costs discussion for 2021**

Town Clerk explained progress made so far. Have approached North Lincolnshire Council to enquire about costs of having a SLA for 2021 in view of the issues regarding splitting the contract into two parts and difficulties with a specification if the contract is in two parts. North Lincolnshire do have enough plants but have not quoted as yet.

Chairman proposed to continue with existing contractor for 2021 for the town centre part of the contract which includes the planters and hanging baskets and to go with North Lincolnshire Council for Ferriby Road and Barrow Road bedding.

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One member stated that the weeds are over powering the daisies in the town centre planters.

RESOLVED

Agreed to continue with the existing contractor for the town centre hanging baskets and planters and to continue pursuing costs from North Lincolnshire Council for a one year SLA for the bedding areas on Ferriby Road and Barrow Road and then consolidate the contract in the Autumn if members feel is the best way forward for the 2022 season.

Unanimous

270. **Competitions – discussion and decision on entering and organising the below**

- a) CPRE Best Kept Village competition 2021 Best Kept Town Population over 4000
- b) Barton Town Council – Best Kept Garden and Hanging Basket Competition

Members asked if groups would be contacted to assist with judging. It was stated that hanging baskets and gardens were beautiful last year and it would be a good feeling for the town to put on the competition this year.

It was agreed to place an article in the Bartonian and also consideration to include businesses to take part. Town Clerk will investigate procedures and sources of funding to assist with Brightening the Town with hanging baskets to those businesses that wish to take part. It was suggested to move this decision to Full Council and Town Clerk stated that a short Environment Committee could be held prior to the next Full Council.

RESOLVED

To enter the Best Kept Village Competition. It was also agreed to hold the Best Kept Garden and Hanging Basket Competition in a COVID-19 secure way.

Unanimous

The Chairman, Councillor J Evison closed the meeting at 18.30.

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