



SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee

Minutes of the Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee via Zoom on Tuesday, 13 July 2021 commencing at 7 pm.

Members Present

Councillor Hall (Chair)
Councillor Proctor
Councillor Lewer

Councillor Cook
Councillor Brown
Councillor Loader

Officers Present:

Brie Logan, Business Manager
Mike Wakely, Head Groundsman
Zoe Moxham, Office Administrator

In Attendance:

Councillor Hollingshead
Councillor Edwyn-Jones
1 member of the press
2 members of the public

MINUTES

Condolences

Condolences were expressed for groundsman Richard Hare who sadly passed away over the weekend.

Public Participation

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Committee or to raise any issues of concern. Nothing was raised.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

Meeting Commenced: 7.05 pm

SODR16 Change Order of Business

It was agreed to change the order of business to discuss Item 9, Wildflower verges after the Declarations of Interest to enable members of the public to leave after the item that interests them.

SODR17 Apologies

No apologies were received.

SODR18 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

All members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose. None were declared.

SODR19 Wildflower Verge – Policy development

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE9 was received and the committee agreed to endorse the plan as referenced in 9.1.12 to 9.1.16 of the agenda and agrees to proceed with developing the content for a detailed action plan to include development of the longer-term wildflower policy for Shaftesbury.

Town Clerk to manage under the Scheme of Delegation as per the Full Council resolution dated 20/4/2021 and brings back a detailed business plan that includes budgetary requirements to this committee.

ACTION: BUSINESS MANAGER AND TOWN CLERK

SODR20 Minutes

(R) It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th June 2021 were accurate and should be recommended for approval at the next formal meeting of this committee.

ACTION: OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

SODR21 Officer Reports

Officer report 0721ROSE4 was received and noted.

ACTION: OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

SODR22 Gold Hill Sycamore clearance autumn/winter

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE5 was received and it was agreed to delegate this to matter to the Town Clerk to take all such steps as she considers necessary.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

SODR23 BBQs Policy

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE6 was received and it was agreed to recommend the policy for adoption to Full Council.

ACTION: OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

SODR24 St James' Park Play Area

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE7 was received and the committee agreed to appoint Virginia Edwyn-Jones as lead councillor to look at the whole project itself and produce a detailed plan to update this committee with in September.

To delegate to the Lead Councillor and the Town Clerk in consultation with members of the Recreation, Open Spaces and Environment Committee to undertake a collection of engagement exercises during the 2021 summer to understand the needs and wishes of those who use and may come to use the play area.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

SODR25 Jubilee Railings

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE8 was received and it was agreed to include this in the project for the St James' Park Play Area to be considered in the update planned for September.

SODR26 Allotment Grow to give Scheme Request

(D) Officer report 0721ROSE10 was received and the committee provides support for the Open House/ Community Fridge project and authorises a 'Grow to Give' donation box to be placed in each allotment area and a letter sent to each allotment holder and delegates the next steps to the Town Clerk to manage under the Scheme of Delegation as per the Full Council resolution dated 20/4/2021

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.26 pm.

Signed

Date

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