

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on Monday 18th November 2019 commencing at 19:00 hours in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Herschy (Chair), Smith-Winnard (Vice-Chair), Bartlett, Davies, Murdoch, Norman, Parris, Thomas and Williamson.

ALSO PRESENT: Ward Cllr Stone.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Town Clerk.

ES35/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Rumsey and Sutcliffe.

ES36/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

ES37/19 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There had been no requests for dispensations received.

ES38/19 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present. No matters were raised.

ES39/19 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on 16th September 2019 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

ES40/19 CLERK'S REPORT

Committee noted that the Roger Albert Clark Rally would start from Broad Street, Leominster on Thursday 21st November 2019 at 16:00 hours.

ES41/19 COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT

Committee considered the update report and **RESOLVED:**

- To note the report;
- To invite representatives from Binit Ltd to update the Committee at its next meeting to be held on Monday 20th January 2020;
- To note that a climate change workshop has been organised to take place in Leominster in January 2020. The date had still to be confirmed;
- To organise a Verges Task & Finish Group meeting in January 2020 and to appoint Cllr Herschy to that Group;
- To formally adopt the revised Open Spaces Hire Form;
- To note that the Grange Open Space Master Plan implementation would be overseen by the new Town Clerk.

ES42/19 GROUNDS TEAM UPDATE

Committee considered the update report and **RESOLVED:**

- To support the additional tree planting proposal at the Priory as agreed with the Rector. Council would aim to undertake this during Tree Week;
- To pursue the transfer of the trees in the Etnam Street car park back to Herefordshire Council;
- To investigate the possibility of water capture at the allotments from the natural spring.

ES43/19 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

As certain items were expected to include the consideration of exempt information the Environment & Services Committee **RESOLVED** that, in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the discussion of the matters referred to in the items listed below, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in the respective paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

- (a) **Draft Lease** – It was **RESOLVED** to request Lloyds Cooper LLP Solicitors to act on behalf of Leominster Town Council in the negotiation of the new lease for the proposed Depot.
- (b) **Allotments** – Committee noted the update received regarding the management of the allotments and communications between the Town Council and the Leominster Allotment Association.

ES44/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 20th January 2020 at 19:00hrs in the Council Chamber, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP.

There being no other business, the Chair thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 19:50 hours.

CHAIR:

DATE: