

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on Monday 16th April 2018 commencing at 19:00 hours in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bartlett (Chair), Herschy, Norman, R Pendleton and Thomas.

OFFICER PRESENT: Town Clerk.

ES56/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Davies (illness), Lacey (personal), Marsh (personal), A Pendleton (personal) and Preece (work).

Mrs Debbage, Environmental Supervisor, had also given her apologies.

ES57/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

ES58/17 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No requests for dispensations had been received.

ES59/17 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present.

ES60/17 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on 22nd January 2018 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

ES61/17 CLERK'S REPORT

Committee **NOTED** the update on discussions currently taking place with Herefordshire Council regarding the development of the Southern Urban Expansion, the development of a Traffic Management Strategy and the securing of a depot and relevant grounds machinery. It was agreed to keep members updated.

ES62/17 2017-18 WORK PROGRAMME

Committee reviewed the Work Programme for 2017/18 which had been developed from the Corporate Strategy. Following consideration it was **RESOLVED:**

- That the revised 2017/18 Work Programme be noted;
- That progress and issues resulting in the delay to the refurbishment of the Sydonia play area be noted;
- That the refurbishment of the public conveniences would be subject to a full tendering process and the securing of the loan;

- That the work programme would be reviewed and reduced in 2018/19.

ES63/17 OPEN SPACES & PLAY AREA REPORT

Committee considered the report presented. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED:**

- That the report be noted;
- That following the completion of the waste survey a presentation be made to the Committee on the findings and opportunities;
- Subject to the results of the survey that the next Committee meeting to be held on 21st May 2018 be focused specifically on waste and recycling;
- To develop options prior to the next meeting to help support local traders and the community to recycle and to reduce the use of plastic.

Councillors were requested to submit suggestions that would help reduce waste, reduce the use of plastics and increase recycling in Leominster.

It was suggested that a visit to the recycling plant be organised. Up to 20 people could be accommodated per visit. This would be investigated and organised.

ES64/17 COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT

Committee considered the Committee Update Report in detail and, following discussion, it was **RESOLVED:**

- That the report be noted;
- That the three new salt/grit bins be purchased on the proviso that Balfour Beatty agreed to fill them;
- That a review of existing grit bins be carried out and damaged ones be identified and replaced;
- That the keeping of livestock including chickens on the allotment be supported subject to the views of the Allotment Association;
- That the request to keep bees on the allotment be supported subject to the views of the Allotment Association;
- That the provision of the proposed Loop Walks and waymarkers be investigated and supported;
- That the maintenance of the surrounding footpaths to Leominster Town Centre be undertaken in time for the forthcoming season;
- That the Annual Maintenance Plan be adopted subject to the agreed amendments;
- That the replacement tree to the rear of the Clifton Bingo Hall be investigated with the Herefordshire Tree Officer.

ES65/17 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

There were no confidential items for consideration.

ES66/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 21st May 2018 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 8:30pm.

CHAIR:

DATE: