



Minutes of the Town Management Committee meeting held on 4TH February 2020 commencing at 1.30pm, in the Council Office, Lady Street, Dulverton.

Present: Councillors: Mrs Christine Dubery; Mr Alan Ottey; Mrs Louise Parrish; Mrs Margaret Rawle and Mr Piers Wood.

Apologies: None

Election of Chairman:

RESOLVED: Mr Alan Ottey was nominated by Mr Woods, seconded by Mrs Rawle. There were no other nominations. Mr Ottey was elected unanimously.

Deferment of business for comment by the public: None

Declarations of Interest: None

Matters Arising: None

Defibrillator Training: Members agreed to canvass the public involving the use of using Facebook to see how many residents would like to undertake defibrillator training.

Cllr. Mr Piers Wood confirmed that the equipment is checked once monthly.

Fly Posting: Members commented that posters tend not to be taken down after the event. A Facebook message to be published requesting that posters are removed directly after the event and that staples are not used. Members agreed to remove out of date or inappropriate posters when seen.

Community Refill Scheme: The Traders Association are to be approached and requested to consider the proposal to implement a community refill scheme, a scheme which invites the public to refill existing plastic bottles with water.

S.W.A.T. Proposed Car Park Charges: Cllr. Mrs Margaret Rawle reported to members that S.W.A.T. intended to increase parking charges by 10% on daily charges (permits not included). The suggestion being made that the increase is due to climate change. Members believe that a consultation exercise will have to be undertaken. Concerns are to be raised with Cllr. Mr Nick Thwaites, (S.W.A.T.) at the next Council meeting.

Correspondence: None

Matters to Report with permission of the Chairman:

Public Loos: Clerk to chase up 'deep clean' request.

Clerk commented as to whether an emergency telephone was actually required. An enquiry is to be made from A-Tac as to what emergency procedures other Authorities have in place.
Clerk to review the current contracts.

War Memorial: RBL local contact to be ascertained. Consideration regarding future maintenance work necessary to be considered at the next meeting.

Flower Display 2020: The Town Hall mangers are retained as well as the two baskets situated outside Isis and a further two at the Lion Stables toilet block. The budget remains at £400. The Clerk was requested to seek a quote from Cove Garden Nursery.

The self – watering baskets are to be used on the Lion Car Park baskets a request is to be made to Browns with regards watering.

A letter is to be sent to Oggies asking if they would like to sponsor the planting and maintenance of the tub at The Bridge Inn.

Double Yellow Lines - High Street (just before the entrance to the Catholic Church): Road repairs have been carried out consequently the lines need repainting. Parked cars have caused considerable disruption as a result. Clerk to report the issue to S.C.C.

Car Park & Kemps Way Lighting: Some maintenance work has been carried out. However there still exist problems and some work outstanding, due to parked cars and the fact that the cherry picker broke down.

Monmouth Terrace: The works order has been submitted (S.C.C.). The maintenance work should be carried out within 28 days.

The drain opposite the entrance to the Caravan Park is blocked (Kemps Way). To be reported to S.W.A.T.

Flood Plan: Letters have been sent to all the occupants of vulnerable properties. A letter is due to be sent to the volunteers asking for updated contact details. Further volunteers are required.

There exist rats in the flood store (Guildhall Car Park). The Leat is particularly infested. A local pest control company has laid bait and once cleared of rats, the shed will have to be cleaned out professionally.

Electric Car Points: Members noted that Dulverton has no electric charge points and are anxious to pursue the issue as a matter of urgency. Cllr. Mr Nick Thwaites (S.W.A.T.) to be approached for an update concerning S.W.A.T. policy.

Date of next meeting: To be determined.

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