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Minutes of Crediton Town Council's Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 9th July 2019, at 6.00 pm, at Crediton Library, Belle Parade, Crediton

Present: Cllrs Miss J Harris, Mr J Ross, Mr F Letch, Mr M Szabo, Mrs H Zorlu, Mr P Vincent and Mrs L Martin.

In Attendance: Mrs Lisa Blake, Assistant Clerk Ms Penni Tearle, Chair of Boniface Allotments Association 1 member of the public

19 To receive and accept apologies There were no apologies.

20 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Letch declared that as a member of more than one authority, that any views or opinions expressed at the meeting would be provisional and would not prejudice any views expressed at a meeting of another authority.

- 21 Public Question Time There were no questions.
- 22 Order of Business There were no changes to the order of business.
- 23 Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements There were no announcements.
- 24 Committee Meeting Minutes To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 11th June 2019. It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 11th June 2019, as a correct record and they were duly signed by Cllr Harris (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

25 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

26 Allotments

- a) To consider the following issues and agree a course of action:
 - Vacant plots, Non-cultivation Notices and Notices To Quit The Assistant Clerk confirmed the following:
 - There are currently no vacant plots.
 - There have been no Non-cultivation notices or Notices to Quit issued.
 - There will be another allotment inspection undertaken in due course.
- b) To consider matters raised by the Boniface Allotments Association and allotment tenants and agree any actions. Ms Tearle raised the following:



- rubbish being dumped at the bottom of Barnfield allotment site.
- A request had been received by the tenant of plot E1 to erect a greenhouse measuring 1.8m by 1.8m. This is in addition to a corrugated shed on the plot. It was **resolved** to approve the application subject to the location being approved by Ms Tearle and the Assistant Clerk. (Proposed by Cllr Letch).
- There has also been a report of asbestos discovered on plot E23A. There had previously been asbestos within this plot that was removed by a contractor in 2016 and the Clerk was currently obtaining quotations for the removal of this.
- The allotment judging had taken place the previous evening, with thanks to Steve at Homeleigh Garden Centre, who commented on what a lovely environment there is at the allotments.

Ms Tearle left the meeting at 6.08pm

- **27 To consider the quotation received to relocate the bench from Landscore to the area outside Hillbrow.** The Assistant Clerk confirmed this is currently in hand. Further information is required from the contractors regarding the siting of the bench before obtaining accurate quotations.
- **28 To consider and assess the quotations for the works following the property inspection reports.** The Assistant Clerk reported that not all the quotations for works had been received. An instruction had been made to AR Davey to remove the graffiti and repaint the bus shelter and varnish the Bandstand plaque at a total cost of £120 plus VAT. This had been scheduled to be completed before Britain in Bloom judging on 11th July 2019.
- **29** To receive an update on the Floral Crediton Competition 2019 and discuss arrangements for the presentation evening. The Assistant Clerk advised that the office had received a number of enquiries regarding the timings that the participants would be visited. Cllr Letch advised that a route would be worked out with approximate timings. It was also agreed for entry forms to be returned to the Council Offices in future. Cllr Letch advised the judging had been carried out on the 4th July and there had been in an increase in entries this year.

It was **resolved** for the Assistant Clerk to check availability for the presentation to be held on a Wednesday evening in September, starting at approximately 6.30pm. (Proposed by Cllr Letch). It was further **resolved** for the Assistant Clerk to check availability of venues for the Britain in Bloom Presentation in October (Proposed by Cllr Letch).

- 30 Clerk's Report. The Assistant Clerk had nothing further to report.
- **31 Close** The meeting closed at 6.22pm

Signed

Dated.....

Chairman

