



## Minutes of Crediton Town Council's Amenities & The Built Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 14 September 2021, at 19.00 at Old Landscore School, Greenway, Crediton.

**Present:** Cllrs J Harris, G Cochran, F Letch, M Szabo and H Zorlu

**Apologies:** Cllrs J Cairney, S Huxtable and Martin

**In Attendance:** Rachel Avery, Town Clerk  
Dr Penni Tearle, Chair of Boniface Allotment Association

### **17 To receive and accept apologies**

It was **resolved** to receive and accept apologies from Cllrs Cairney, Huxtable and Martin (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

### **18 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.

### **19 Public Question Time**

No members of the public wished to speak.

### **20 Order of Business**

There were no changes to the order of business.

### **21 Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements**

It was noted that the Amenities and the Built Environment Committee meeting held on 27 July 2021 would not be approved due to the meeting being inquorate.

### **22 Committee Meeting Minutes - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Assets & Amenities Committee meeting held on 27 July 2021**

It was noted that the minutes of the meeting were void.

### **23 Allotments**

#### **- To consider the following issues and agree a course of action – vacant plots, Non-Cultivation Notices and Notices to Quit**

The Town Clerk advised that there had been lots of movement on both Exhibition Road and Barnfield allotments recently, with plots becoming vacant and re-let on a weekly basis. Cllr Letch raised a query regarding an allotment holder who had received a notice to quit. Dr Tearle confirmed that this tenant had been issued a notice to quit further to the office following due process and discussing the issues with the tenant.

#### **- To receive an update on the removal of elm trees at Exhibition Road**

It was noted that further quotes are awaited for the removal of the elm trees.

- **To consider matters raised by the Boniface Allotments Association and allotment tenants and agree any actions**  
Dr Tearle requested that there are no rules around the minimum width of paths and where sheds should be situated. It was noted that this would be discussed at a future meeting. It was **noted** that a quote for water troughs is awaited, now that a supplier has been found. Cllr Zorlu expressed concerns regarding young teenage students walking through the top of the allotments. It was noted that the Town Clerk would email the school regarding this.
- 24 To receive an update on Britain in Bloom**  
**Cllr Szabo reported that four tickets to the presentation on 07 October have been purchased.**  
A Crediton presentation would take place at Old Landscore School on 11 October at 17.30.
- 25 To discuss the condition of the 5 cast iron litter bins on the High Street and agree a course of action**  
Cllr Szabo reported that the litter bins in question are corroded and require maintenance. It was **resolved** that the Town Clerk would establish ownership with Mid Devon District Council and ask them to undertake the required work. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).
- 26 Tree planting and open spaces:**
  - **To investigate appropriate locations for trees to be planted in celebration of the Queens Platinum Jubilee**  
Cllr Szabo recommended a site for a beech tree at Pedlars Pool Lane.
  - **Tree planting at Peoples Park in recognition of the NHS and Covid-19 pandemic**  
It was noted that Hoopers have been contacted regarding the planting of the two trees.
  - **Rewilding of Greenway play area (subject to MDDC approval)**  
A meeting with MDDC is being arranged by the Town Clerk.
- 27 To note the date of the next meeting – 23 November 2021**  
The date of the next meeting was noted.
- 28 Close.**  
The meeting closed at 19.33.

Signed .....

Chairman

Dated.....