



**Minutes of Crediton Town Council's Amenities & The Built Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 23 November 2021, at 19.00 at Old Landscore School, Greenway, Crediton.**

- Present:** Cllrs J Harris, G Cochran, M Szabo and H Zorlu
- Apologies:** Cllrs Cairney and Huxtable
- Absent:** Cllr L Martin
- In Attendance:** Rachel Avery, Town Clerk  
Dr Penni Tearle, Chair of Boniface Allotment Association  
Mr B Jewell  
One member of the public

**29 To receive and accept apologies**

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

**30 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**31 Public Question Time**

The following comment was made by a member of the public:

- Request for town council support regarding concerns about the lack of street lighting between Landscore School and Western Road at Pitt Hill. The one streetlight in situ has been reported as faulty, but this section of road needs extra street lighting to ensure safety of pedestrians and cyclists. County Cllr Letch had spoken to the street lighting department at Devon County Council, with the officer stating that there was no budget for additional lighting.

**32 Order of Business**

It was **resolved** to move item 36 to item 35. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

**33 Chairman's and Clerk's Announcements**

There were no announcements

**34 Committee Meeting Minutes - To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Assets & Amenities Committee meeting held on 14 September 2021**

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes. (Proposed by Cllr Zorlu).

**35 Allotments (taken as item 36)**

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

It was **noted** that there are no vacant plots, two non-cultivation notices and no notice to quits.

- **To receive the quotation for water troughs at Barnfield**

It was **resolved** that attempts would be made to obtain further quotes to be considered in January, for consideration within the 2022/23 budget. (Proposed by Cllr Cochran).

- **To consider matters raised by the Boniface Allotments Association and allotment tenants and agree any actions**

There were no matters.

The Town Clerk thanked the Administrative Assistant for her hard work with the creation of allotment invoices and associated work.

**36 To consider concerns regarding street lighting at Threshers (taken as item 35)**

It was **resolved** that Devon County Council and County Cllr Letch be contacted directly regarding the need for additional street lighting in the area. (Proposed by Cllr Cochran).

**37 To receive an update on the condition of litter bins in the High Street**

The Town Clerk had contacted Mid Devon District Council, who confirmed that there was no maintenance budget to undertake remedial work to the litter bins. It was **resolved** that quotes would be obtained for the re-painting of the litter bins. (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

**38 To note the recent recommendations arising from the QTRA and to agree a course of action**

The recommendations were noted. It was **resolved** that quotes would be obtained for crown lifting of trees, particularly near the wildlife area. (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

**39 To discuss the crescent shaped rose bed behind the Boniface statue and agree a course of action**

Cllr Szabo explained that the roses behind the statue have been pruned but are in poor condition. It was **noted** that Mr Jewell would try to obtain armillatox to sterilise the soil to replant new roses.

**40 To receive an update regarding the Boniface Well in Newcombes Meadow**

It was noted that Mid Devon District Council had undertaken some remedial work to the well, but the wall opposite remains fallen. An update had been requested regarding this.

**41 To discuss purchasing some new self-watering Amberol containers and agree a course of action**

It was **resolved** to purchase one two-tiered planter for Hillbrow. (Proposed by Cllr Szabo). It was **agreed** that investigation into two new planters for the war memorial will be undertaken.

**42 To discuss entering the 2022 Britain In Bloom Penant Award and It's Your Neighbourhood competition**

It was **resolved** to enter the 2022 Britain In Bloom Penant Award and It's Your Neighbourhood competition. (Proposed by Cllr Harris).

**43 Tree planting and open spaces:**

- **To investigate appropriate locations for trees to be planted in celebration of the Queens Platinum Jubilee**

It was **noted** that Cllr Cochran had obtained a list of open spaces and these would be considered.

- **Tree planting at Peoples Park in recognition of the NHS and Covid-19 pandemic**

It was **noted** that the contractor would be contacted regarding the lime trees. It was resolved that the trees would be planted in line with the recommendations from the QTRA. (Proposed by Cllr Szabo).

- **Rewilding of Greenway play area (subject to MDDC approval)**

Initial discussion with Mid Devon District Council had been positive. Further discussion around all play areas in Crediton had started, which may require a more cohesive approach. This would be an agenda item for the January meeting.

- **Tree planting in memory of Mr John Ross**

It was **noted** that a location and tree species had been agreed with Dee Ross and Mid Devon District Council and a tree would now be sourced.

**44 To note and discuss the allocated budgets for the committee**

It was **noted** that this would be an agenda item for the January meeting.

**45 To note the date of the next meeting – 04 January 2022**

The date of the next meeting was **noted**. The meeting was closed at 19.51.

Signed .....  
Chairman

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