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MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL 2024

Those present :

Chair : Cllr W Tinley
Vice-Chair : Cllr H Laws
Councillors : Cllr S Clough, Cllr J Sherman
Officers : Mrs J France, Miss H Johnson

ENV234 Chair's Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ENV235 Apologies for Absence

Apologies have been received from Cllr C Lacey and the reason given was accepted.

ENV236 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary & Other Interests

a) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 (section 30 to 33). Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest in accordance with the LGA 1972, s117.

None received.

b) To receive, consider and record Councillors requests for dispensation (Section 13 Localism Act 2011) in connection with items on this agenda. Applications for this must be made in writing to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

None received.

ENV237 Adjournment for Public Participation

- To adjourn the meeting for 15 minutes to allow members of the public 3 minutes each to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting. No resolutions can be made under public participation.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

ENV238 Exclusion of the Press and Public - Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings Act) 1960

- To consider and resolve any agenda items that require the exclusion of the Press and Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 for matters appertaining to confidential or exempt information.

There were no items requiring the exclusion of the press and public.

ENV239 Minutes from the previous meeting

a) To approve the draft minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2024.

RESOLVED: The minutes of the meeting held on 13th March 2024 are a true and accurate record.

b) To receive an update on any ongoing issues not covered as an agenda item.

The Deputy Clerk had provided a written report with updates of ongoing items.

Belklane

There had since been a resident contact the Parish Office for an update on the flooding issues at the bottom of Belklane Park. The Deputy Clerk advised that she has contacted Derbyshire County Council and Councillor Renwick but has not received a response yet. This was chased up by the Deputy Clerk on 9th April.

Birchlands

The office had contacted the approved supplier for the installation of the football posts and basketball net for a revised quote to include a tarmac surface at the basketball net. As no response was received from several attempts to contact the supplier, the Deputy Clerk advised that the office had contacted the other supplier for a revised quote, but they were unable to install a tarmac surface and advised a local contractor would be best.

RESOLVED: The office to obtain quotes for a contractor to install a tarmac surface for the basketball net.

CCTV

The Deputy Clerk mentioned a reply had been received to the letter sent to the owner of the land at Rotherham Road regarding pruning the trees covering the lamppost intended for an ANPR camera. The Deputy Clerk also said that Derbyshire County Council had provided the lamppost number, with a recommendation to consider another post as the trees around the suggested post may need frequent maintenance.

RESOLVED: To change the ANPR camera location to lamppost 053610.

Speed Indicator Devices

RESOLVED: The office to contact DCC and the SIDs supplier to enquire about new solar panels for the existing busy locations and moving the battery ones to the quieter locations where brackets are in place.

ENV240 Litter & Dog Bins

- To consider and approve a replacement dog bin between 39 and 41 Peacock Close. The lid is missing and a resident has complained about the smell and that dog waste is being thrown onto their garden.

The cost of installing a replacement bin, with a chute is £364.76 + VAT.

RESOLVED: That the installation of a replacement bin is approved.

ENV241 Village Green

- To consider and approve the installation of six planters on the Village Green from the quotations received.

Quote 1: £1080 + VAT - 6 x 1.2m square wooden sleeper planters

Quote 2: £1436.64 - 6 x 1.2m square wooden sleeper planters

Quote 3: £1770 + VAT - 6 x 1m square heavy duty plastic planters

Quote 4: £3300 + VAT - 6 x 1m square wood effect planters

Cllrs agreed on the locations for the planters around the village green to make the area brighter and hopefully deter parking. All Cllrs agreed that Quote 1 is the most cost effective.

RESOLVED: That Quote 1 for 6 x 1.2m square wooden sleeper planters is approved for purchase and installation.

ENV242 Benches

a) To consider and approve a replacement bench at the top of Long Lane at the junction with Mansfield Road due to damage and wear on the slats.

RESOLVED: That the replacement bench at the top of Long Lane at the junction with Mansfield Road is approved for purchase and installation.

b) To consider and approve a replacement bench at the bus stop on High Street near the war memorial. This bench has been removed as it had badly deteriorated.

Cllr Laws mentioned that the Community Trust put the original bench there with a plaque. The Deputy Clerk said that she would ask the Handyman if he found a plaque when clearing the damaged bench from the location.

RESOLVED: That the replacement bench at the bus stop on High Street near the war memorial is approved for purchase and installation.

ENV243 Wildlife

- To consider whether to take any action with regards to the Hedgehog Highway project.

Cllr Tinley asked if the Hedgehogs R Us charity is a registered charity. Other councillors mentioned they have seen previous legitimate advertisement of the charity on the news and social media. Cllr Sherman said that this could be suited to school children in the area. All councillors agreed that it would be good to trial a donation of the Hedgehog Highway to Killamarsh Schools to encourage wildlife protection. Councillors also agreed it would be nice to see photos of the Hedgehog Highway being used.

RESOLVED: That the purchase of a Hedgehog Highway bundle is approved and to split and donate them to Killamarsh Junior School, Killamarsh Infant School and St Giles School.

ENV244 Parks and Open Spaces

- To consider the next course of action with regards to Crofters Close Play Area (Birch Park) after NEDDC have agreed to discuss a proposal from the Parish Council to potentially lease the park.

RESOLVED: The office to arrange a meeting with NEDDC to discuss a potential lease of Crofters Close Play Area.

ENV245 Trees and hedges

- To consider whether to engage a arboricultural consultant in Summer 2024 to undertake a tree survey of all trees on Parish Council land, providing a report, plan and recommendations. An approximate cost for this would be £1500.

The other option is to have a tree surgeon visit to recommend any essential work that is needed as happened in 2023. Summer is the preferable time to assess the trees as it is easier to identify any dead branches.

Cllr Tinley mentioned if Crofters Close could be looked at incase the lease goes ahead. Cllr Sherman raised the question of the ivy growing around the trees and if this a danger to them. Cllr Clough answered saying it can strangle the trees over time.

RESOLVED: The office to ask the NEDDC tree officer for recommendations and to obtain more quotes from aboricultural consultants to undertake a tree survey in Summer 2024.

ENV246 Planning

- To consider a request from a resident for the Parish Council to investigate what options there are in relation to agreeing the street names for the developments at Primrose and Westthorpe.

Cllr Clough asked if the office can contact the MP's office to enquire about the street names being related to Killamarsh and if the Parish Council can have any involvement in the street names due the MP's office having more contact with the developers.

RESOLVED: The office to contact the MP's office with the enquiry about the street names being related to Killamarsh and if the Parish Council can have any involvement in the choice of names.

ENV247 Items for discussion for a future agenda

- Climate Change Policy
- Basketball surface
- Climbing wall

ENV248 Date of the Next Council Meeting

As per the new 2024/25 meeting schedule to be confirmed at Full Council

The meeting closed at 7:33pm.