

## LYTCHETT MINSTER & UPTON TOWN COUNCIL

A **MEETING** of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** was held in the Council Chamber, 1 Moorland Parade, Moorland Way on **TUESDAY the 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017** and commenced at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:**

- Councillor R Griffin (in the Chair)
- Councillor M Chase
- Councillor P F Johns
- Councillor J R Burns
- Councillor R Holloway
- Councillor Mrs J M Richards (Mayor of Council)

**Also in attendance:**

- Mrs K Wright, Town Clerk
- Mrs B Lake, Office Manager

**235/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

- Councillor Mrs M Pryor (holiday)
- Councillor F H Drane (personal)
- Councillor M Dodds (work commitments)
- Councillor Mrs J Marston (unwell)

Before the business of the evening commenced the Chairman welcomed Cllr Holloway to the Environment committee.

**236/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None.

**237/17 CLERK'S REPORT:**

- a) **Minute 108/12 Minute 219/12 & Minute 31/16. Proposed Cycle way along Poole Road/Options for improved entrance signs to the town.** A proposed design has been received from DCC which appears acceptable and we have asked if they are able to secure three additional signs for other entrances to the town – a response is awaited.
- b) **Minute 255/14 Pedestrian Refuge in Dorchester Road.** No further information.
- c) **Minute 481/14 Yellow lines Dorchester Road, near Oakley Gardens.** No further information.
- d) **Minute 485/14 To investigate obtaining Local Nature Reserve/SSSI Status for Lytchett Bay View.** The Clerk will commence the process.
- e) **Minute 582/15**
- f) **& 871/15 Tree Management Survey/Tree Warden.** Quotes are being obtained for tree work at Recreation Ground. List still being compiled for other council tree stock.
- g) **Minute 809/15 St Martins Road Parking Issues.** This item will be removed from the minutes.
- h) **Minute 151/16 Pavement Parking.** No further information.
- i) **Minute 154/16 Heritage Signposting.** DCC were chased re the funding request for this project but once again no response has been received. The issue of DCC not responding to requests will be raised with County Cllr Pipe. Cllr Chase advised that he had found someone who would be prepared to make the signposts if required.

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**237/17CLERK'S REPORT:(Cont.)**

- j) **Minute 303/16 De-regulation of Slough Lane to a Bridleway.** A response is still awaited.
- k) **Minute 378/16 Parking on Town Verges.** Cllr Griffin and Cllr Chase walked Dorchester Road and Sea View and identified several areas where vehicles are parking on the grass verge. Letters will be sent to the households concerned in the New Year and dragons teeth installed in due course. The issue with two vehicles in Sea View Road will be referred to the Highways Manager as this was previously dealt with successfully by the last Highways Officer.
- l) **Minute 497/16 Parking Review for the Town.** Parking Services have been chased, but no response received. This will again be pursued.
- m) **Minute 486/16 Right Turn at Randalls Hill.** This will be left in abeyance until such time as other local roadworks are completed.
- n) **Minute 34/17 To discuss ways to improve foot way access for pedestrians at Watery Lane.** To be raised at site meeting with Wyatt Homes on Wednesday 1 November 2017.
- o) **Minute 96/17 To consider a residents request for a 20 mph speed limit in Moorland Way.** No further information.
- p) **Minute 186/17 Management of trees adjacent to The Pound, Lytchett Minster.** Ownership of the trees is being investigated.
- q) **Minute 187/17 To consider options to improve the bank at the top of Moorland Way:** Cllr Griffin gave an update on the meeting with a horticulturist about the planting scheme and other improvements in this area. There is a flowering pear tree on the site that is touching cables and requires attention. Quotes will be sought for this work.
- r) **Minute 191/17 To discuss pollution in the town.** No further information.
- s) **Minute 188/17 To consider a request for a pedestrian crossing at the corner of Oak Road and Blandford Road.** This has been submitted to DCC who advised that it needs the support of the County Councillor.

**238/17 CORRESPONDENCE:**

None.

**239/17 TO CONSIDER PLANTING SOME TREES IN AND AROUND THE LYTCHETT WAY AREA:**

Correspondence expressing concern about the lack of tree planting in the Lytchett Way area was received from a resident. Cllr Griffin has drafted a letter to be sent to the resident.

**240/17 TO CONSIDER THE DONATION OF WILDFLOWER SEEDS FOR THE SOWING OF A MEADOW AT LYTCHETT BAY VIEW:**

The Town Council has been offered some wildflower seeds by a resident to create a meadow along the edge of Lytchett Bay View. It was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** to accept this offer and to contact the Borough of Poole for a quote to prepare the ground.

**241/17 TO CONSIDER BUDGETS FOR ENVIRONMENT SERVICES FOR 2018/19:**

The budgets were prepared by Cllr Mrs Richards and the Clerk and considered by the committee. It was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** that these be accepted subject to some agreed amendments.

**242/17 TO REVIEW THE AGENCY AGREEMENT FOR WORKING TOGETHER WITH DCC HIGHWAYS:**

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** that this be left in abeyance until it has been discussed further and a meeting for this purpose will be held at 9.30 am on Thursday 16 November at the Town Council Offices. After this time a DCC Highways representative will be invited to attend a meeting with members.

**243/17 REPORTS ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM CHAMPIONS:**

**Roads and Pavements**

None.

**Waste and Recycling**

None.

**Street Furniture - Cllr Mrs M Pryor**

None.

**Open Spaces**

**Lytchett Bay View**

**Cllr M Chase**

The seat has been repaired. There is ongoing vandalism to the rail on the viewing platform.

**Jubilee Garden**

**Cllr M Dodds**

None.

**St. Martins Park**

**Cllr M Dodds**

None.

**Meadows Garden**

**Cllr R Griffin**

None.

**Clocktower Site**

None.

**Open Access Issues**

**Cllr Mrs J M Richards**

None.

**Overgrowing vegetation**

None.

**Flood Warden**

**Cllr P F Johns**

None.

**244/17 HIGHWAY MATTERS:**

Cllr Chase raised several issues relating to the Policemans Lane development and these will be raised with Wyatts at the site meeting on Wednesday 1 November.

**245/17 TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW THE LATEST FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:**

The committee financial update was received, reviewed and agreed.

**246/17 TO RECEIVE THE TREE WORKS REPORT:**

See attached list.

**247/17 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:**

- a) Cllr Chase raised the issued of overgrowth along Poole Road and was advised that the Borough of Poole have this in hand.
- b) Cllr Johns suggested the planting of wildflowers along the verge on the right hand side of Dorchester Road from Lytchett Minster towards Upton. An item 'To discuss Wildflowers in the Town' will be included on the agenda of the next Environment agenda.
- c) Cllr Holloway reported that he had been contacted by a resident who is concerned about speeding in Heights Road and requested a 20 mph speed limit. This will be raised at the next Highways meeting on Wednesday 6 December 2017 and will also be monitored by Speedwatch.

**There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55 pm**

Chairman.....

Date.....