

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 26 March 2019** which commenced at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

- Councillor R Griffin (in the Chair)
- Councillor M Chase (V/Chair)
- Councillor P F Johns
- Councillor F H Drane
- Councillor J R Burns
- Councillor Mrs J Marston
- Councillor Mrs J M Richards (Mayor)
- Councillor Mrs M Pryor (Deputy Mayor)

Also in attendance: Mrs S Samways, Admin Asst

523/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

- Councillor K Brooks (work commitments)
- Councillor R Holloway (unwell)
- Councillor P King (personal)
- Mrs K Cane, Town Clerk
- Mrs B Lake, Office Manager

524/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Councillor Mrs J Marston declared an interest in Minute 530/18 To consider supporting request to Morebus for a service around Organford Lane/Road.

525/18 CLERK'S REPORT:

- a) **Minute 255/14 Pedestrian Crossing in Dorchester Road.** No further information.
- b) **Minute 485/14 To investigate obtaining Local Nature Reserve/SSSI Status for Lytchett Bay View.** The declaration paperwork has been sent to Natural England and a response is awaited.
- c) **Minute 151/16 & 497/16 & 333/18 Pavement Parking/Parking Review/Waypoints Bollards.** Waypoints have agreed to the installation of bollards and will cover the cost of 4 with DCC paying for 2. DCC have been contacted to undertake the work as soon as possible.
- d) **Minute 154/16 Heritage Signposting.** This is in hand.
- e) **Minute 297/17 b) Moorland Way Surface.** A complaint has been received from a resident about the break up of the surface and this has been forwarded to DCC for their investigation.
- f) **Minute 138/18 & 161/18 Parish Lighting.** No further information.
- g) **Minute 140/18 & 329/18 Roads and Pavements – Health Centre/Upton Court.** A response was received from the Director for Environment and Economy, DCC.. DCC will not adopt this road in its current state of disrepair. LMUTC need to ascertain ownership of the land to pursue any improvement works. LMUTC to begin investigations to confirm ownership.
- h) **Minute 160/18 Lytchett Bay Nature Park Partnership.** Nothing to report.
- i) **Minute 165/18 Entrance signs for the village of Lytchett Minster.** An order has been placed – awaiting an installation date.

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525/18 CLERK'S REPORT: Cont

- j) **Minute 214/14 & 332/18 Wildflower Meadows.** Cllr Griffin met with a representative from the Dorset Ranger Service on Wednesday 20 March 2019 to clarify actions for the wildflower beds in Upton for 2019. The Groundsman is also meeting Dorset Ranger Service to confirm planting at Factory Road.
- k) **Minute 215/18 Request for double yellow lines at Pony Drive.** This request has been declined by DCC as it did not score enough points on their criteria to be taken forward. The resident has been notified. An item to discuss requests for double yellow lines will be included on the agenda for the next Highways meeting in April.
- l) **Minute 216/18 Issues along Blandford Road South.** No further information.
- m) **Minute 222/18 Request to display 30 mph stickers on lampposts.** A quote has been received for £84.36 to supply the polycarbonate on which the stickers can be attached prior to erecting on the lampposts. This will be pursued subject to DCC approval.
- n) **Minute 330/18 Lytchett Minster Noticeboard.** The new Noticeboard has arrived and will be installed.
- o) **Minute 331/18 Treeworks Poole Road.** This work was completed during the first week of March.
- p) **Minute 398/18 Provision of a municipal water fountain.** This item to be held in abeyance until the Town Clerk returns.
- q) **Minute 399/18.** Meeting with the Hamwic Trust to discuss parking issues around the school. See Minute 531/18.
- r) **Minute 408/18 Remedial work at the Pound, Lytchett Minster.** Hall & Woodhouse have been contacted to ascertain if this is their responsibility and a response is awaited.

526/18 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Letter from resident re parking on grass verge on Dorchester Rd: The resident will be advised that dragon's teeth will be installed in the near future to prevent parking.
- b) Letter from resident re speed limit in Watery Lane: The resident will be advised this will be discussed at the next meeting of LMUTC and DCC Highways on 9 April 2019.
- c) Email from DCC Highways Officer, re dropped kerb access: The committee were pleased to be advised 2 sets of dropped kerbs have been installed at Tree Hamlets.

527/18 REPORTS ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM CHAMPIONS:**Roads and Pavements (inc Rights Of Way)**

None.

Waste and Recycling

None.

Street Furniture**Cllr Mrs M Pryor**

None.

Open Spaces**Lytchett Bay View****Cllr M Chase**

Cllr Chase reported that some larger trees have been removed, but no more tree works can be done as present due to birds nesting.

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527/18 REPORTS ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM CHAMPIONS: Cont**Open Spaces****Lytchett Bay View cont****Cllr M Chase**

Cllr Mrs Richards took a report of drainage works being done by a landowner that may not be on their land. Cllr Richards to report to Natural England/RSPB.

Jubilee Garden**Cllr Mrs J Marston**

None.

St. Martins Park**Cllr K Brooks**

None

Meadows Garden**Cllr R Griffin**

None.

Limberlost**Cllr R Griffin**

None.

Clocktower Site

Cllr Mrs Richards advised the damaged clock face has now been returned to the office, and an alternative quote for repair requested.

Open Access Issues**Cllr Mrs J M Richards****Overgrowing vegetation**

None.

Flood Warden**Cllr P F Johns**

None.

Sustainability**All**

None.

528/18 TO CONSIDER LIST OF LAND AREAS WITHIN THE TOWN THAT ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO UNAUTHORISED OCCUPATION. TO COMPLETE A RISK ASSESMENT AND AN ACTION PLAN FOR THESE AREAS:

1. **Lytchett Bay View** – this is vulnerable but dragon’s teeth are installed.
2. **Recreation Ground overspill car park** – LMUTC lease this land. It was agreed the gate must be padlocked at 4pm every day, and signs advising it is Private Property purchased and installed.
3. **Cemetery** – this is DCC Highways land, but LMUTC to install signs advising ‘No Overnight Camping’.
4. **Factory Road** – Grounds team to install dragon’s teeth.

529/18 TO DISCUSS LIST OF SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE TOWN AND AGREE A PRICING STRUCTURE:

This item to be held in abeyance until the Town Clerk returns, and included as an Agenda item on the next meeting of the Environment Committee.

530/18 TO CONSIDER SUPPORTING A REQUEST TO MOREBUS FOR A SERVICE AROUND ORGANFORD LANE/ROAD:

Cllr Mrs Marston requested LMUTC support for an amended bus service to include residents of Organdford Manor Park Homes site. The committee fully endorsed this request and a letter will be sent to Morebus. (cc Park Homes owner Henry Simmons).

531/18 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE MEETING HELD ON 19 MARCH 2019 TO DISCUSS TRAFFIC ISSUES AROUND THE UPTON SCHOOLS:

Cllr Griffin reported this was a very positive meeting, and the actions agreed have been circulated to all councillors.

Cllr Drane left the meeting at this point.

532/18 TO CONSIDER THE PROVISION OF DOUBLE YELLOW LINES IN PURBECK CLOSE:

Cllr Pipe has obtained majority support from the residents; this will be discussed at the next meeting of the LMUTC/ DCC Highways on 9 April.

533/18 TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW THE LATEST FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

The committee financial update was received, reviewed and agreed.

534/18 TO RECEIVE THE TREE WORKS REPORT:

See attached list.

534/18 HIGHWAY MATTERS:

1. Report damage to library fencing to DFY
2. Request Yarrells flower bed is re-instated to DFY.
3. Large tree opposite Working Men’s Club is obstructing street lighting – raise DFY and SSE enquiries to report this.
4. Vegetation is obstructing the street lighting by the bus stop on Dorchester Road. SSE advised they would cut back last year but no action has been taken.
5. Cllr Chase completed site visits on the parcels of land to be transferred to LMUTC: he raised issues with outstanding tree works at Cherry Hill Grove. PDC to be asked to complete before LMUTC accept.

536/18 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- a) Cllr Burns reported fly-tipping along the hedge of Randalls Hill, near the entrance to the old Telephone Exchange; this will be reported to PDC.
- b) Cllr Mrs Pryor reported a new resident of The Crossways will be completing repair works to the lane surface.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....