

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 22 January 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 K Cane, Town Clerk
- Mrs B Lake, Office Manager

325/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

- Councillor R Holloway (personal)
- Councillor K Brooks (work commitments)
- Councillor P King (personal)

326/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

327/18 CLERK'S REPORT:

- a) **Minute 255/14 Pedestrian Crossing in Dorchester Road** The work has been delayed due to previously reported objections regarding light pollution which came about as a result of the consultation and which was referred to the DCC Regulatory Committee. They then deferred decisions and added concerns regarding the safety of the crossing when a hearse would be parked on the vehicle exit of the crossing. The highways improvements team are now considering mitigation for the light pollution issue to hopefully get objections removed and alternatives to highway parking for the hearse although DCC cannot advise any timescales for these solutions.
- 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 Pavement Parking/Parking Review.** Following the January Highways Meeting an email from the TC to DCC has been sent highlighting once again the issues and concerns of the Town Council in regard to parking issues within the Town. Cllr Griffin to update on request made to local schools in regarding to parking issues around schools. A letter to this effect was sent to the Hamwic Trust with a copy to the Head Teacher and the Chairman of Governors. DCC Highways and Parking Services have been asked to visit the site. DCC were contacted regarding the installation of bollards outside Waypoints and were advised that one possible solution would be for Dorset Highways to install 1 bollard on the edge of the highway and the landowner to install a series of bollards on their private land. The Town Council have asked DCC to indicate the cost of bollards for the Waypoints section, and whether it would be permissible for bollards to be sited on the edge of the private section as an alternative.
- d) **Minute 154/16 Heritage Signposting.** The Clerk to meet with Cllr Griffin and Chase to progress this.

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327/18 CLERK'S REPORT:(Cont)

- e) **Minute 297/17 b) Moorland Way Surface.** DCC are monitoring the situation.
- f) **Minute 138/18 & 161/18 Parish Lighting.** SSE have been chased once again for a response.
- g) **Minute 140/18 Roads and Pavements – Health Centre.** See Minute 329/18.
- h) **Minute 160/18 Lytchett Bay Nature Park Partnership.** The next meeting will take place 14.2.19 at 2pm – 4 pm in the Council Chamber. Cllr Mrs Richards reported that she had signed the Memo of Understanding.
- i) **Minute 165/18 Entrance signs for the village of Lytchett Minster.** No further information.
- j) **Minute 214/14 Wildflower Meadows.** See Minute 332/18.
- k) **Minute 215/18 Request for double yellow lines at Pony Drive.** This request has been passed to DCC. The Borough of Poole were also contacted and a response received which will be forwarded to the DCC Highways Officer.
- l) **Minute 216/18 Issues along Blandford Road South.** DCC have been contacted to ask for an update on the white lining and resurfacing.
- m) **Minute 222/18 Request to display 30 mph stickers on lampposts.** No further information.
- n) **Minute 222/18 Homeless family in Lytchett Minster.** The DCC Gypsy and Traveller Liaison Officer has referred this matter to their legal department and is awaiting a response from them. See Democratic Session.

328/18 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) A letter was received from a resident expressing concern about anti-social behavior in the vicinity of Pinewood Road. The letter has been forwarded to Inspector Keel and the Safer Neighbourhood Team, and a copy will also be sent to County Cllr Pipe. The resident was advised to contact the Police on 101 or via the website when these instances occur. See Democratic Session.
- b) A letter was received from a resident expressing concern about ongoing issues in Blandford Road South. See Minute 327/18 (l).

329/18 TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES AROUND THE HEALTH CENTRE/UPTON COURT:

The NHS were contacted, however no response was received. The responsibility for the maintenance of Upton Court lies with the householder and it was agreed that quotes should be obtained for filling in the potholes, after which letters will be sent to the residents to advise them of the cost and asking if they are prepared to pay to have the work done. Cllr Griffin will draft a letter to be sent to Mike Harries, Director for Environment, DCC advising of the poor condition of the road and how well used it is to access the Health Centre and library.

330/18 TO DISCUSS THE CONDITION OF THE LYTCHELT MINSTER NOTICE BOARD:

After discussion it was proposed, seconded and **RECOMMENDED** to purchase a new notice board for Lytchett Minster at a cost of £272.58.

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331/18 TO CONSIDER THE QUOTES FOR THE TREE WORK IN POOLE ROAD:

Two quotes were received and after discussion it was agreed to accept the quote of £1575.00 from Firsway Tree Services. A date will be ascertained in order that the residents can be advised.

332/18 TO DISCUSS THE WILDFLOWER AREAS WITHIN THE TOWN:

Sam Jackson, DCC has been contacted to ask for the wildflower areas to be cut and to ask if he can attend a meeting to discuss what happens when the Town Council assume control after April. A response is awaited.

333/18 TO DISCUSS THE INSTALLATION OF BOLLARDS AT WAYPOINTS TO RESTRICT PARKING:

See Minute 327/18 (c).

334/18 REPORTS ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM CHAMPIONS:

Roads and Pavements (inc Rights Of Way)

It was reported that the area outside the new and old Co-op premises needs litter picking and the SCO will be advised.

Waste and Recycling

None.

Street Furniture

Cllr Mrs M Pryor

The polycarbonate has been taken out of the bus shelter opposite the Triangle and DCC will be made aware.

Cllr Mrs Pryor will investigate the cost of dual purpose rubbish bins.

Open Spaces

Lytchett Bay View

Cllr M Chase

A working party will be set up for Lytchett Bay View.

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

None.

Open Access Issues

Cllr Mrs J M Richards

None.

334/18 REPORTS ON AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY FROM CHAMPIONS:(Cont)

Overgrowing vegetation

The area in Dorchester Road, opposite the top of Moorland Parade, will be tidied by the Town Council Groundstaff.

Trees along Blandford Road North, near Coronation Avenue, need cutting back.

Flood Warden

Cllr P F Johns

None.

Sustainability

All

None.

335/18 HIGHWAY MATTERS:

None.

336/18 TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW THE LATEST FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

The committee financial update was received, reviewed and agreed.

Cllr Drane left at this point in the meeting.

337/18 TO RECEIVE THE TREE WORKS REPORT:

See attached list.

338/18 ITEMS OF REPORT AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

- a) It was reported that a fence has been erected on the end plot of Frampton Terrace.
- b) It was reported that the old PDC homeless caravan site off Sandy Lane is up for sale.
- c) It was suggested that a representative from the Dorset Mammal Group be invited as the Guest Speaker at the Annual Assembly.
- d) The cost of providing a water fountain will be investigated.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

DEMOCRATIC SESSION:

Four members of the homeless family currently residing on DCC land in Lytchett Minster attended the meeting to explain their situation to members.

Two residents of Pinewood Road attended the meeting to express concern about anti-social behavior in the vicinity, and in particular a young person who rides a mini motorbike with no crash helmet. See Minute 328/18 (a).