



Lyt-Up - July 2018

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Environmental Sustainability

The Town Council, through its Environment Committee, and in partnership with Upton in Bloom has embarked upon an environmental audit of its practices with a view to making them more environmentally friendly and indeed justifiable. It is hoped that the outcomes will be implemented over a 5 year period. Some are much more likely to be practicable than others, which may remain aspirational initially.

The following topics are being reviewed:

- Pollution
- Use of Plastic
- Planting
- Energy Conservation (including street lighting and use of solar power)
- Water Conservation
- Re-cycling
- Street Furniture, including waste bins
- Town Council Vehicles
- Use of Pesticides

Certain steps have already been taken.

For example, we have asked Purbeck DC and Dorset Highways for an air pollution survey, which not only measures general quality but the number of particulates in the atmosphere at critical times.

All the street furniture, posts, fences etc will be replaced with items made from recycled materials as and when required. Many, of course, already are.

The SSE company has been asked to quote to replace the light bulbs in the various street lights we own with more energy efficient ones.

The use of mulching will be extended in beds and footpaths.

A review of the planting programme in the beds and containers—this year the summer programme requires 6000 plants which are very labour and water intensive. Is that feasible still?

Furthermore, if we can afford it we wish to site a waste bin which has 2 compartments—one for litter and one for glass, plastics etc

We are also examining the feasibility of installing solar panels at The Grove, Sports Pavilion and Town Council Offices.

We would welcome your views and ideas on the above. Drop us a line or an email—or come along to the next Environment Committee Meeting at 7.45 pm on Tuesday 26 June or 24 July 2018.

TOWN COUNCIL HELP CENTRE

Open Mon– Thurs 9 am—12.30 pm

Fri 9.30 am—11.30 am

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Citizens Advice Surgery

Monday 9.15 am—12.30 pm (weekly)

Meeting Dates:

All meetings are open to the public, with 15 minutes of public participation at 7.45 pm. Each member of the public is able to speak for three minutes. Agendas available via town noticeboards, library, help centre and website

July 2018 Meetings

Amenities	03/07/18	7.00pm
Planning	10/07/18	7.00 pm
Town Council	17/07/18	7.00 pm
Environment	24/07/18	7.00 pm

Update on Parking

Cllrs Griffin and Chase met with Dorset Police Inspector Keel recently to discuss the issue of parking. They will be keeping a closer eye on problem areas—so once again think before you park!!

Football Tournament

A great weekend of youth football at the Recreation Ground. Brilliant to see so many young people positively engaged.

Anti-Social Behaviour

This problem still continues—please help us by reporting this to Dorset Police on 101, or if an emergency 999.