

**BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES of an ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Committee
Room on MONDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2021 at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillor N Jacques (Chairman)
Councillors A Chapman, Mrs A Clark, Mrs S Evison and Mrs C Thornton

Also Present: Ms T Broughton (Town Clerk)

137. **Election of Chairman**

Agreed **Proposed Cllr Mrs C Thornton, Seconded Cllr A Chapman**
To elect Cllr N Jacques as Environment Committee Chairman.
Unanimous

138. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr J Evison (Work commitments).

Agreed **Proposed Cllr Mrs S Evison, Seconded Cllr Mrs A Clark**
To accept the apologies of Cllr J Evison.
Unanimous

139. **Election of Vice-Chairman**

Agreed **Proposed Cllr Mrs C Thornton, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**
To elect Cllr A Chapman as Environment Committee Chairman.
Unanimous

140. **Declarations of Interest**

Barton Lions Club – Councillor A Chapman (personal interest)
Barton Civic Society – Councillor N Jacques (personal interest)

141. **To receive a 5 minute report to up-date the Town Council of each respective outside organisation**

(a) **Barton Lions Club**

Recently provided Hi Vis equipment to Barton Baggers Group. Have adopted Barton Upon Humber Station platform and completion of installation of new planters is ongoing.

(b) **Barton Civic Society**

The project work on Soutergate is ongoing and currently the grass is high and requires some maintenance which the land owner will be organising.

142. **Minutes of Meeting held on the 26 April 2021, approved and confirmed as a correct record at a meeting held on the 5th May 2021**

It was noted that these minutes had been signed as a correct record, for action as

necessary, at a meeting of the town council held on 5 May 2021.

143. **Update on Community Orchard on Lapwing Way**

Community Orchard is thriving and it was suggested to look at further locations. Members agreed to post a form in the November Bartonian for suggestions of further locations for Community Orchards.

144. **Update on Wild Flower Verge on Butts Road**

This verge is still looking good and has received a lot of praise and interest. Chairman will send instructions for care for preparation for the winter.

AGREED

Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr A Chapman
To purchase 150 Yellow Rattle Plugs for planting in the verge to help with maintenance.
Unanimous

145. **Competition Update**

- a) CPRE Best Kept Village competition 2021 Best Kept Town Population over 4000

It was suggested to enquire who has ownership of all the planters in the town and look to take over maintenance for 2021. Entry will be submitted by the Clerks.

- b) Barton Town Council – Best Kept Garden and Hanging Basket Competition

Members discussed new ideas, such as themes, hanging baskets only, front gardens only. Agreed to discuss more fully at the next meeting. It was agreed to present the awards at a Full Council Meeting. Clerk to organise.

146. **Update on Community Bench requested by a resident**

Town Clerk explained that this request has now been completed and the bench will soon be installed in the location on Tofts Road.

147. **Update on Grass Cutting**

No further complaints have been received. It was suggested that the Clerk contacts Kcom management to ask how the verges are going to be repaired as many have been left damaged by the works, particularly any bulbs displaced by the work.

148. **Update on Planters and Hanging Baskets in the town**

Members considered the costs for up the pole baskets and also discussed purchasing new tiered planters for the town. Town Clerk explained the budget and

it was agreed to further consider at the next Environment meeting a budget for next year for purchase of new equipment. It was also agreed to contact North Lincolnshire Council to enquire which planters they owned that are not maintained by Barton Town Council and whether there would be any further grant funding if Barton Upon Humber Town Council took over the maintenance to improve the floral look of the town.

149. **Community Bulb Planting**

Members discussed community bulb planting. It was agreed to ask order the usual mix of bulbs up top £600 which includes the Lions contribution of £300. A date for planting was made on the 31 October with planting areas identified as Butts Road Car Park, Tofts Road Playing Field and Dam Road Playing Field (Hunts Charity). Town Clerk to seek approval from North Lincolnshire Council.

The Chairman, Councillor N Jacques closed the meeting at 20.00

..... Chairman

6 September 2021