

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on Monday 20th July 2020 19.00 hours remotely via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Herschy (Chair), Smith-Winnard (Vice-Chair)(19.03), Bartlett, Davies, Murdoch, Norman, Parris, Rumsey, Sutcliffe, Thomas and Williamson.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Town Clerk and the Environmental Services Supervisor.

ES11/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

ES12/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Murdoch - Allotments

ES13/20 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There had been no requests for dispensations received.

ES14/20 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no members of the public present. No issues were raised.

ES15/20 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Environment & Services Committee meeting held on Monday 11th May 2020 be agreed and signed as a correct record as soon as the social distancing guidelines are relaxed further and normal meetings resume at 11 Corn Square.

ES16/20 CLERK'S REPORT

The clerk had nothing to report.

ES17/20 COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT

Committee considered the update report and following discussion they **RESOLVED:**

- To note the report;
- To appoint an alternative drainage contractor at a cost of £350 per day for 1.5 days to carry out further investigations into the flooding issues with a mini digger;
- To investigate the benefits of purchasing a chipper and feedback suggestions for the Environment & Services Committee for the next meeting on 14th September to include:
 - Total cost to purchase
 - Annual servicing costs
 - Costs of key parts
 - Environmental benefits
 - Savings

- To contact Cllr. John Harrington, Cabinet Member for Transport and Infrastructure to discuss verge management around the parish and to investigate how to dispose of the green waste once the wildflower verges/meadow have been cut;
- To investigate if there is local community interest to adopt the old phone box on Hengrave Green and what they would like to see it used for eg. Defibrillator;
- To note that the Lengthsman Drainage Scheme Grant has been applied for;
- To note that new COVID-19 signage has been ordered for the play areas that Leominster Town Council are responsible for;
- To note that the public toilets at The Grange and Central Car Park have reopened Monday – Saturday, 8am – 2pm with an enhanced cleaning regime;

ES18/20 GROUNDS TEAM UPDATE

Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED:**

- To note the report;
- That the Environmental Supervisor should investigate the possibility of installing an accessible toilet at the allotments whilst investigating a suitable location for an accessible plot;

ES19/20 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

(a) Ginhall Green Easement – This is now with a land agent for action.

ES20/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 14th September 2020 at 19:00hrs either remotely via Zoom or in the Council Chamber, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP depending on the lifting of social distancing restrictions by central government.

There being no other business, the Chair thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 20.10 hours.

CHAIR:

DATE: