

HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting of the ENVIRONMENT, ALLOTMENTS & EVENTS COMMITTEE
Held Wednesday 5th June 2019

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors: Bampton Smith, Fenton, Harvey, Hoyle, Hodgins & Young.

Also: Jill Chadwick – High Hirst Allotment Tenant

HRTC Council Clerk: E Green.

50. ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR 2019/20

It was moved by Cllr Bampton Smith

Seconded by Cllr Hodgins

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that the Chair of the Environment & Allotments Committee for 2019/20 be Cllr Young.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Hoyle

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that the Vice Chair of the Environment & Allotments Committee for 2019/20 be Cllr Bampton Smith.

51. APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS

No apologies were received.

52. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

None were declared at this time.

53. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13TH FEBRUARY 2019 NOT ITEMISED ON THIS AGENDA

Cllr Hodgins asked about the wildflower planting in Mytholmroyd. It was discussed that this phase of works had now been completed and that the scheme could be rolled out if other suitable areas were identified.

54. POLICY & DOCUMENT REVIEW

Policies for review were tabled and discussed;

Animal Welfare Policy

It was moved by Cllr Stow

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: That this statement was an accurate reflection of the feelings of council regarding the use of animals for entertainment and should be kept as it is for review in four years.

Environmental Policy

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Harvey and

RESOLVED: To accept this policy as it stands for this review.

Helium Balloon Policy

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Fenton and

RESOLVED: To accept this policy as it stands for this review.

Lost Child Policy

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Harvey and

RESOLVED: To adopt this policy.

Plot Allocation Policy

It was moved by Cllr Stow
Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: That item four on this policy be amended to reflect the wording within the Equality Act 2010 regarding protected characteristics; age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual orientation.

Allotments Tenancy Agreement

It was moved by Cllr Stow
Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: For this policy to be amended to take into account HRTC policy on the use of chemicals such as glyphosate and update any other items in accordance with standard practice. This will be brought to the next meeting of this committee for consideration.

55.

WATER AT HIGH HIRST ALLOTMENTS

The requirements for water and the limitations of the existing provision were discussed in detail. Tenant Jill Chadwick, made a valuable contribution in terms of keeping the allotments as organic as possible. This also led to some discussion on the use of glyphosate and writing the prohibition of the use of this into the tenancy agreement.

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Hodgins and

RESOLVED: To approve the budget for the installation of a water supply, and also to investigate opportunities to make the most of the raised water table in the lower section.

Jill Chadwick left the meeting

56.

BUDGET UPDATE

The budget was presented and opportunities for future projects discussed.
Following discussion

It was moved by Cllr Young
Seconded by Cllr Fenton and

RESOLVED: To request the emptying of an additional bin at Fairfield by CMBC if HRTC were to provide said bin. And, to establish how street waste, collected from the bins and recycling points throughout the town is treated.

How much of this is recycled? If necessary, to pass this on to the Climate Emergency Committee for further consideration.

57. PROJECT UPDATE

An update was received regarding a number of events and projects

- a) Spring Clean
Took place on 22nd – 31st March, 204 participants in 29 teams with a total sponsorship to be paid of £1,740.00.
- b) Hanging Baskets
160 baskets ordered by retailers in Hebden Bridge and Mytholmroyd plus lamppost baskets provided by Hebden Royd Town Council
- c) Lights at Hebden Bridge Marina
Project to be completed over the summer months due to a change in contractor
- d) Wildflower Planting at Hawksclough
Planting now completed, the flowers should be starting to grow for a display in the summer.
- e) Kidsfest
Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd June 12noon – 4pm, in partnership with the Arts Festival and Lottery Funded, Miss Lilly's Victorian Circus Game.
- f) Hebden's Happy Hounds
Saturday 20th July 11am – 4pm, to include fun dog classes, agility demo's and stalls.
- g) Pumpkin Festival
Saturday 26th October 11am – 5pm, currently working on community and partner engagement.
- h) Mytholmroyd Christmas Market & Lights Switch On
Saturday 16th November 2pm – 7pm, Working in partnership with Royd Regeneration to provide a full day event with a market, food provision and entertainment from local groups similar in format to previous years.
- i) Hebden Bridge Christmas Lights Switch On
Thursday 21st November, 4:40pm – 7pm. Live entertainment and a fireworks finale.

It was moved by Cllr Fenton

Seconded by Cllr Stow and

RESOLVED: That in respect of items h) and i) a letter be written to CMBC Licencing department to ask if there is a way to limit the number of street traders at events and in particular limit the amount of plastic that is being sold.

58. ISSUES RAISED AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING & OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

- a) The request for indoor recreational activities for young people was considered.

It was moved by Cllr Stow

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: That this is currently outside of the scope and budget and of Hebden Royd Town Council, however, Cllr Bampton Smith spoke about the new climbing wall and youth club at Mytholmroyd Community Centre. The Town Council will contact them to see how the information of activities available can be better communicated to young people in the community.

b) The request for a water drinking fountain was considered.

It was moved by Cllr Stow

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: That, in principle that is a good idea and that the officer will conduct further investigation as to the costs, partnership, location and maintenance of such a facility for consideration at the next meeting.

59. MYTHOLMROYD FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME COMPLETION CELEBRATION

A request from Cllr Wood for HRTC support and involvement in this project was discussed.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

RESOLVED: That officer time be granted and a request for budget be considered to ensure an event is held for the community which is fitting of the occasion.

Meeting finished at 9pm

