HEBDEN ROYD TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting of ENVIRONMENT & ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE held 19th October 2022

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillors: Young, Bampton Smith. Harvey, Guilfoyle.

Clerk: E Green

198. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANY SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were received from Cllrs Hayes, Hodgins and Hoyle.

199. MEMBERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS FOR THIS MEETING.

No interests were declared.

200. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 13TH JULY 22 AND MATTERS ARISING NOT ITEMISED ON THIS AGENDA.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a correct record.

201. COMMUNICATIONS

a) Resident

Dodnaze Community Centre & Park

In respect of item a)

A discussion took place regarding the community centre at Dodnaze. Cllr Young confirmed that the building is indeed owned by Together Housing. In principle it would support this building being brought back in to use and it is understood that there may be a desire from other groups to utilise this space including Calder Food Support.

It was agreed that the park was in need of some maintenance and general updating.

It was moved by Cllr Guilfoyle

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: To contact Together Housing to establish the current status of the building and how it can be brought back in to use, potential contact names have been provided by councillors. To contact Parks at CMBC to gain permissions to provide new planters and support community involvement to improve the play area.

202. BUDGET UPDATE

Councillors considered the budget for this committee.

It was noted that funds were still available under the Dog Waste Bags heading. It was moved by Cllr Guilfoyle

Seconded by Cllr Young and

RESOLVED: to obtain updated quotes to initiate the process of changing the dog waste bags to fully biodegradable ones which will include replacing the dispensers.

203. ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT UPDATES

Councillors received a verbal update regarding existing projects;

a) Hanging Baskets

Over 250 hanging baskets were installed this year. The baskets were provided at a subsidised rate to business owners and all monies owed have been received. The Peat Free compost was successful with the basket creating a lovely display.

b) Spring Bulbs

6000 spring bulbs have been ordered and will be distributed to community groups for planting in the local area.

c) Calderdale Parks

There is still money available in the budget under the parks heading. There have been a number of complaints from members do the public about the park, in particular Calder Holmes Park. Previous request for a site meeting with CMBC to discuss how the Town Council can support the parks have not been acknowledged.

It was moved by Cllr Young

Seconded by Cllr Bampton Smith and

RESOLVED: that the head of service should be contacted with a view to establish what maintenance works are planned for the park and how HRTC can add value to these works.

204. ALLOTMENTS

Cllr were advised that tree works are planned for both Banksfield and High Hirst allotments to maintain and appropriately manage fruiting and deciduous trees and self-seeded willows.