



EYE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes from the Virtual Environment Committee of Eye Town Council held on 4th May at 7:00 pm as a remote meeting using Zoom.

Present: Cllr Smith, Walker, Talbot, Hudson, Henderson

1. Apologies and Approval of Absences
2. Members Declarations of Interests and Consideration of Requests for Dispensations – None received.
3. Public questions and community announcements – No members of the public present.
4. To receive and confirm the minutes of the last meeting on the 6th and 15th April 2021.

Proposed by Cllr Smith, Seconded Cllr Talbot – All in favour.

5. Play & Skate Parks

5.1. Plans for Eye Skate Park Youth Council.

Cllr Smith has spoken to the Deputy Head Ms. Sarah Gray at Hartismere who is interested to find out more of the role of the Youth Council and agreed to raise awareness at the school to any students who might be interested. The Committee also discussed the possibility of the High School having a project to paint a mural on the rear of the ramps. Clerk to write to Ms. Gray.

Eye Magazine is doing an article in the June magazine to promote the Youth Council in its June issue.

5.2 Update on paint for skate park ramps.

Cllr Smith wondered if there might be some funding available for the repairs.

Welcome Back Fund – could be an opportunity to obtain funding for cleaning graffiti at the skate park and other areas in the town. The Clerk has a meeting on the 5th May with the District Council and would make enquiries as to whether this activity would be covered by this funding stream.

The quote for the paint had been obtained for painting the ramps. Cllr Henderson asked who would carry out the work. Cllr Smith confirmed that it would be volunteers.

Proposed that the paint be ordered as per the quotation, to be funded from the existing maintenance budget.

Proposed Cllr Smith, Seconded Walker, All in favour.

6. Allotments

6.1 Update on new allotment holders. Cllr Smith has interviewed several perspective new allotment holders. The details will be passed onto the Clerk once the details have been checked.

6.2 Bonfires at allotments – a complaint has been received following clearance of abandoned allotments where a bonfire was lit to clear burnable waste.

The Committee agreed to send a reminder to allotment holders and any contractors used by the Council on the responsibilities when having a bonfire as recommended by the Allotment Society.

Action for the Clerk.

7. Cemetery & Memorials

7.1 Valuation Office Survey

The Clerk explained the requirements of the valuation survey as previously circulated and the methodology for the calculation of the remaining capacity of the cemetery. The committee agreed with the submission.

7.2 Chapels – Cllr Berry is drawing up a work schedule to bring both buildings up into good order. Funding to be identified for this works.

8. Highways

The pavement from the Chicken factory to the cemetery has been cleared and cut back.

Reported the issues with The Rookery which still haven't been resolved.

Work has been completed to dig out the drain, but flooding has still occurred during the recent rain.

9. Public Toilet

No complaints received recently.

Investigate a deep clean for the floors possibly once or twice a year.

10. Reports and Updates.

11.1 Claim for Trees and Hedgerow plants – Cllr Henderson there is a wider project which will be picked up in the future.

11. Any other business

Agreed to hold a working group meeting for on-going projects on the 1st June @ 6:30 pm

12. Next meeting 6th July 2021. Chair and Deputy Chair have delegated powers.