



EYE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment Committee of Eye Town Council held on 3rd March 7:00 pm at the Town Hall, Council Chamber, Eye, Suffolk

Present: Cllr Smith (chair), Blake, Walker, Henderson, Hudson

1. Apologies and Approval of Absences

No apologies

2. To receive and confirm the minutes of the last meeting on the 4th February 2020.

Previous minutes agreed

3. Allotments

Allotment holders have agreed to a meeting with the committee to discuss a wide range of issues concerning the allotment site; this will include discussion about ETC plans highlighted in the NP, to explore possible housing development on the site, and the commitment to identify possible alternative site for improved allotment facilities. Mike to set a date with town clerk.

4. Cemetery & Memorials

100 new trees, provided by the Woodland Trust have now been planted in the green burial site, with the much-appreciated help of enthusiastic members of the community. There are plans to plant more next year with the support of the Woodland Trust.

There was a discussion regarding the proposal by Cllr Smith to put sheep in a fenced off area of the older part of the cemetery, to graze grass around the graves. A local farmer could be approached to manage this. The outcome would be neat and tidy grass potentially at less cost.

5. Highways

Cllr Smith reported Cllr McGregor (SCC) is looking into replacing bollards to secure the market area on Friday morning markets. He has agreed SCC will pay for the replacement.

Cllr Blake confirmed the paved area from Ash Drive to Century rd is officially a cycleway installed by SCC and it is their responsibility to maintain it.

The committee agreed the war memorial by the town hall needs a clean. Cllr Smith proposed organizing a group of volunteers to do this before VE day. 22nd March 10am was set as date to do this as part of the litter picking session. Cllr Blake and Smith to arrange this.

Street Lights

Cllr Smith highlighted the need to conduct a survey of lights under ETC management to assess which lights need repair. In total ETC is responsible for 100 lights around town. Date to be set.

6. Play & Skate Parks

Cllr Smith is meeting Andy Robinson to discuss possible funding for agreed works on the skate park. The pocket park could be considered alongside the funding bid for a play area at the community centre.

7. Public Toilet

Building works to the toilet block are progressing well. A report will be taken to full council this month, and it is hoped a completion date will be agreed with building contractors by then.

8. Reports and Updates - none

9. Any other business

A request for an additional dog waste bin was received by the E committee. The suggested site will need to be checked for suitability, and funds for the cost of installing it to be requested from F & G committee as this has not been included in the Env Com budget. Suffolk Highways may need to install a concrete post for the bin.

10. Next meeting 3rd March 2020