

**Extraordinary General Meeting  
Environment Committee  
Thursday July 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Eye Town Hall**

**Persons present :** Alan Cooper (Chairman) Mike Smith Mick Robins Caroline Byles

1. No apologies for absence.
2. The Table relating to the streetlights was considered carefully and the draft reply prepared by Cllr Byles and emailed to members of the Committee beforehand was approved and **it was resolved unanimously** Cllr Byles was requested to reply to SCC making all the points in her email.
3. The Committee went outside to try to locate Light 116 described as being by the bus shelter but were unable to locate it and it was agreed Cllr Byles would take up the matter of the streetlight with SCC
4. **It was resolved unanimously that Bernard Tatum** should be requested to repair the electric light in the bus shelter which does not work for a sum not exceeding £50
5. **It was resolved unanimously** the following works should be carried out in respect of dog bins (A) the dog bin behind the garages in Ash Drive be removed (B) The bin in the Pocket Park (one with the lid missing ) be removed and replaced with the one from the garages in Ash Drive © The dog bin by Victoria Hill by Century Road be removed and replaced by one of the new dog bins on order at present (D) the dog bin at Paddock House Church Road be removed and replaced with the one from Victoria Hill (E) Take down the dog bin opposite the crinkle crankle wall at Chandos Lodge (F) Mount a new dog bin on order at present on the post by the footpath by the Fire Station.
6. It was resolved unanimously to have the work in paragraph 5 above plus a repair effected to the bench in Bellands Way carried out by Peter Langhorne for the sum of £134 .
7. **The rose bed** at the junction of Castleton Way Lambseth St and Victoria Hill. Cllr Cooper informed the Committee that David Fawcett of SCC would not agree to the rose bed being sponsored by an individual. It was agreed this was an extraordinary decision as roundabouts are maintained and sponsored by private firms. It was noted there was a possibility MSDC might care for the rosebed even though it was not their land but it was considered Eye Town Council might be charged for this work. The Committee spoke to Mr Bancroft who confirmed he would like to maintain and sponsor the rose bed. **It was resolved unanimously** the matter should be taken up with the County Councillor.
8. The position of the proposed bench to be paid for by Mrs Lucas was discussed and it was agreed it will replace an old bench long gone and will be situated in

the alcove of the Town Hall 5 metres from the edge of the pavement so no pedestrians routes will be disturbed by the position of the bench. **It was resolved unanimously** that Cllr Byles should contact David Stiff of SCC to see what formalities SCC will require to be completed in respect of the bench.

9. **Parking problems in Orchard Close** were discussed in detail and it was decided that there was no solution within the remit of the Environment Committee because they are not the highway authority and they have no powers to enforce parking laws. The problem is there is almost no parking for the residents of Lowgate St so they park in Orchard Close. There are no double yellow lines at the entrance of Orchard Close and if motorists park there it is for the police to stop such activity. If the residents of Lowgate St park in Orchard Close they are not breaking any law. The only solution the Environment Committee could suggest was permit parking for the residents of Orchard Close but this would require a majority of the residents to agree, the consent of SCC to designate the road as one for parking permits and residents would have to pay around £50 per annum for parking permits. This was something to suggest to Adrian Beatty.

The meeting finished at 8pm.