

Minutes of Environment Committee held at 19:00 on 5th December 2017 at Eye Town Hall

Persons present: Cllr Alan Cooper (Chair), Cllr Colin Ribchester, Cllr John Blake, Cllr Jane Hudson

1. **Apologies** received from Cllr Mick Robins and Cllr Mike Smith

Cllr Kim Crispin not present no apologies received.

2. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

3. Allotments

19 plots are currently vacant. The clerk has arranged for an advertisement to be placed in the February edition of the Eye Magazine and will also publish the same advert in the Eye to Eye web magazine to coincide with this publication.

Any potential customers will be shown available plots by a member of the Environment Committee.

4. Cemetery & Memorials

4.1 The memorial cleansing quotations were discussed and are higher than expected. Clerk to be requested to obtain further quotations from local stone masons and to identify if there is any grant funding available for memorial cleansing.

4.2 Cllr Mike Smith to be asked to trim the cemetery before year end to reduce the workload for the following year.

4.3 Identification of burial plots is usually completed by the Town Clerk and the chair of the Environment Committee. The committee thought that this role could be taken on by the Deputy Town Clerk. The Clerk has confirmed that there isn't a Deputy Clerk in post to take on this role so will still need to be joint responsibility with the Clerk and the Environment Committee.

4.4 The pot holes in the cemetery need attention. Cllr Cooper to ask Cllr Smith to obtain roadway plainings to fill in the pot holes.

5. Highways

Complaints have been received regarding the removal of the wreaths from the war memorial only days after Remembrance Sunday. It was explained that high winds were experienced after the Remembrance service and wreaths were blown into the road and damaged so couldn't be left on the memorial. The clerk has identified that other parishes i.e Long Stratton who tie the wreaths to the memorial base to keep them in place. This will be tried for the 2018 memorial services.

6. Reports and Updates

No reports were presented.

7. Any other business

Cllr Jane Hudson raised the issue of people not adhering to the one hour parking restrictions for the on-street parking. She will talk to the Clerk regarding possible enforcement of the restriction.

8. Next meeting 6th February 2018