

WEST MOORS TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held on
THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2023 in the Pavilion, Fryer Field, West Moors at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllr M Hawkes – Vice Chair
 Cllr Mrs R Burke Cllr A Clarke Cllr J Randall
 Cllr T Salt Cllr D Shortell Cllr Mrs P Yeo

OTHERS PRESENT: Mrs Amie Fawcett (Assistant to the Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllr D Green Cllr Mrs C Holmes

23/199 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

23/200 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/DISPENSATIONS

None

23/201 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S REPORT

- a) EV charging points: Dorset Council are dealing with the feasibility study and will contact us when ready to go to the next stage.
- b) Pedestrian Crossing update: an update received stated the project is moving forward in the queue, but no work has started yet. DC receive more requests per year than they can deliver, so the waiting time is longer than they would like. However, this scheme is in the next tranche of requests that will be submitted for review, and we will receive an update as soon as a timescale is available.
- c) Legionella: A Risk assessment for the pavilion has been booked for December 14th; The Clerk and cleaning staff are due to carry out an online Legionella Awareness Training course, which the Assistant to the Clerk has already completed.
- d) The Spinney: Work is progressing with the volunteer group, who meet up each Saturday.
- e) Fryer Field: The pest control company are visiting the field regularly to check on the mole activity, which has decreased.
- f) Pavilion: The new flooring is all installed.
The Youth Club Management Committee have requested use of the Pavilion for their committee meetings.
- g) Highway Initiatives: A Speed Indicator Device is due to be installed 15th November by Dorset Council, fixing solar panels to 3 posts. The Community Speed watch initiative, having enough volunteers to start, has postponed the training with the Dorset Police Speed Watch coordinator, from 1st November due to high winds predicted, with a new date yet to be confirmed.
- h) Outdoor Gym Equipment: The additional piece of gym equipment is now installed.
- i) Skatepark: Some cracks have appeared; Canvas have been contacted and will come and repair when they are in the area, but to date have not done so.
- j) The Petwyn: A slab next to the War Memorial has been replaced as it was cracked and presented a trip hazard.
- k) Grange Football tournament for 2024 is scheduled for the 8 and 9th June.
- l) The Dog Show is scheduled for Sunday 2nd June 2024
- m) Litter Pick scheduled for Saturday 11th November at 10am. There will be a film crew (student at Bournemouth University) joining the litter pick to

highlight the issue of pollution. Please can all councillors who are available please attend this event.

- n) Terrafirmas' fees will be increasing by 3% next year.

23/202 PAVILION LIGHTS

The lights in the pavilion hallway, changing rooms and toilets are old and very dim. Members reviewed a quote for changing these lights for modern LED lights. After discussion it was

RESOLVED that the lighting be upgraded in the pavilion hallway, changing rooms and toilets with bright LED lights.

Voting: Unanimous

It was requested that if the Climate Emergency budget heading still had funds available then this could be used towards the new pavilion lighting.

23/203 CEMETERY MATTERS

Minute number 23/151a refers: All outstanding fees for plot NN19 have now paid. Minute number 23/151b refers: A conversation was held with the owner of plot OO15-OO19 informing them that an official application for the memorial must be received no later than Thursday 9th November or the artificial grass would be removed.

This message was also relayed to the owner of plot OO16.

To date we have not received any memorial applications for these plots.

23/204 UPDATE: PUBLIC TOILETS

The flush system for the urinals has been renewed to save water.

We have not received any complaints about these facilities, however, there have been rats seen in the store room at the rear of the facility and the pest control company are dealing with his.

23/205 UPDATE: ALLOTMENTS

A pest control company have now started to try and control the rats at the site. It will be an ongoing annual contract.

The water meter is going to be replaced by Bournemouth Water as it has not worked for 2 years, this was reported on numerous occasions to the water company.

23/206 CORRESPONDENCE

None reported.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19:43hrs

The next meeting of the Environment Committee is scheduled for 11th January, 2024 at 19:30hrs

SIGNED DATE

Chair of Environment Committee