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MINUTES OF THE FORESHORE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 7:30PM ON TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 2022

In attendance: Cllrs Melanie Harvey, Julie Leah, Katie Moore, and the Deputy Clerk, Melissa Kirkby

FS46.22 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

There were no public present.

FS47.22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were none.

FS48.22 DISPENSATIONS

There were none.

FS49.22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

FS50.22 MINUTES

It was

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Foreshore Committee held on the 25th October 2022 circulated to members, be signed as a correct record.

FS51.22 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were none.

FS52.22 PROGRESS REPORTS

a. Car Park Charges – Proposed rates for 2023

It was agreed that the Finance Committee should propose a suitable increase in charges for the Foreshore Car Park for 2023.

b. Fossil Walks permission criteria

A Working Group of Peter Noel, Melanie Harvey and Judith Sheppard had been set up and they are looking into this issue and will report back to the next meeting.

c. Swim Buoy quote

A quote has been received from Lyme/West Bay Harbour Master for swim buoys to protect swimmers from boats. There is 450m of shoreline requiring 12 buoys at a cost in the region of £3,384.00 plus an additional cost of £1200 for laying and removing each year. The Committee agreed to propose acceptance of the quote and deferred to Finance Committee.

d. Temporary Footpath Closure for remedial works to wooden bridge

An email had been received from Dorset Council confirming that they had not been able to come to an agreement with the landowner to use the land to the east of the River Char as an alternative route for the temporary footpath closure. They will do their best to phase the work so that the footbridge can be opened for use at the weekends. It was agreed that the notices should go up in plenty of time.

FS53.22 HAZARD & INCIDENT REPORT

a. Roof Damage at Factory Building

It was reported that there had been slipped tiles at the factory building and emergency repair work had been carried out by MAC Builders at a cost of £150.00 (from Factory Building Maintenance budget) which the members agreed to retrospectively.

FS54.22 ITEMS TO REPORT FOR DISCUSSION

a. Cllr Bawden meeting with Dorset Council Coastal Protection Engineers

No report had been received regarding the meeting between Cllr Bawden and the Engineers and the Deputy Clerk was asked to follow this up.

b. Emergency Beach Phone

The Deputy Clerk had obtained a quote to replace the Emergency Beach Phone which was no longer working. To replace the unit would be approximately £800 with yearly running costs of £250. The Committee agreed that as almost everyone has mobile phones nowadays, the cost of replacing and running the Emergency Phone was not a good use of funds and that it would not be replaced.

FS55.22 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

a. Email from E Vincent about raised manhole covers in Seafront Car Park

It was reported to the members that the Clerk had replied to an email from the owners of the Seafront Car Park about raised manhole covers. She had confirmed that the manhole covers are not the responsibility of the Parish Council but are part of the surface water drainage network maintained by Dorset Council. The Parish Council very occasionally require access to the smaller

cover to divert the water into or away from the reed bed, and that the cover is replaced flush with the tarmac.

b. Poppy Appeal collection dates for 2023

It was reported to the members that the Clerk had replied, confirming ongoing permission, to a request from the RBL to conduct street collections on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th October 2023, outside Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre.

FS56.22 IN COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that under Section 1, Paragraph 2 of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for this item of business in view of the likely disclosure of confidential matters about information relating to an individual, and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person, within the meaning of paragraphs 1 and 8 of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (see Section 1 and Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985), as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.

a. Lease Issues

It was reported to the members that temporary repairs had been carried out to the Factory roof and that fuller repairs would need to be carried out in the new year when the weather had improved. The approximate cost being £140. The members agreed to the repairs.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed

Dated

Proposed to Finance

FS52.22 a. Car Park Charges – Proposed rates for 2023

FS52.22 c. Swim Buoy quote – Propose to accept