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MINUTES OF THE FORESHORE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 7:30PM ON TUESDAY 9th JANUARY 2018 AT THE ELMS

In attendance: Cllrs Peter Noel; Judy Fellingham; Judith Sheppard and the Deputy Clerk, Melissa Kirkby.

F7.1 CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

Due to the absence of both Chair and Vice Chair it was

RESOLVED that Cllr Peter Noel would be Chair for the Committee meeting.

F7.2 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

There were no public present.

F7.3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Graham Bender, sabbatical and Paul Oatway, illness.

RESOLVED that the apologies and reasons given were accepted by the Committee.

F7.4 DISPENSATIONS

There were none received.

F7.5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none declared.

F7.6 MINUTES

RESOLVED the minutes of the meeting of the Foreshore Committee held on the 5th December 2017, circulated to members were a correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

F7.7 PROGRESS REPORTS

- a. Flood Warden update – Nothing to report.
- b. Shoreline Management Plan 2 – Cllr Oatway working on. Nothing further to report at this time.
- c. Recycle of Waste – It was reported that the Finance Committee approved the cost of a year's trial of two recycling bins located at the factory and one on west beach. The members decided to

purchase the Glasdon bins. Cllr Sheppard to liaise with Facilities Manager about the exact location.

ACTION – Cllr Sheppard

- d. Plants at Foreshore – The Deputy Clerk reported the Facilities Manager confirmed he would be able to commit his staff to the upkeep of the planters. It was agreed that Cllr Sheppard would organise the planting and would approach interested parties regarding possible sponsorship towards the cost of plants. **ACTION – Cllr Sheppard**
- e. Lease 1 Damp – This issue was discussed under Item 7.9.
- f. Dog Control Order – Cllr Oatway will progress in due course.
- g. Beach Access Planning Statement – A letter has been received from WDDC asking for further information with regard to the volume and type of rock armour and requesting additional time to respond. The Clerk has replied with the requested information and also agreed to the extension.
- h. Old W.C. Lower Sea Lane - Boundary Issue – A reply to the Clerks letter has been received requesting consent to have access to the property over Parish Council land. It was proposed that permission be granted for an initial period of five years. **ACTION - Clerk**
- i. Wi-Fi installation – Cllr Oatway and Adrian Ragbourne of Lyme Forward to progress this item in due course.
- j. Web Camera – Cllr Oatway is incorporating this item into his Wi-Fi discussions with Adrian Ragbourne.
- k. Battle’s Over, A Nation Tribute – Still waiting for update due on the 5th January.

F7.7 DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Beach Hut Vandalism – The Deputy Clerk reported that the grey and pink beach huts on the platforms had been vandalised over the Christmas period. A number of locks had to be replaced and repairs made. The police had been informed but did not attend. There was a discussion about the possible use of CCTV but it was agreed that it was not a workable solution due to the constraints on local councils as previously investigated.
- b. Beach Hut Occupancy Figures – The Deputy Clerk circulated a spreadsheet showing the beach hut occupancy and income figures. In previous years not all the blue huts have been taken up in the Residents’ Draw and there have been more than one left over on occasion. It was agreed that one blue beach hut would not be included in the Residents’ Draw to be available for daily and weekly hire
- c. Factory Building water ingress – The Deputy Clerk circulated photos taken by the Facilities Manager of water ingress through the window frames at the factory building. It was agreed to request the Facilities Manager to obtain advice from a builder or a damp proof specialist if needed to rectify the problem. **ACTION – Facilities Manager**

- d. Incidents at the foreshore carpark – The Deputy Clerk reported that there had been an incident at the carpark where a camper van had been staying overnight on more than one occasion. Steps are being taken to ensure there is no reoccurrence of this type of incident. **ACTION - Clerk**
- e. There was also another incident where the driver of a car that had an excess charge placed on it, purposely drove at the staff member on duty at the foreshore. The police were informed. **ACTION - Clerk**

F7.8 CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER ISSUES TO NOTE

- a. Drain blockage at foreshore toilets – reported to WDDC and resolved.
- b. Email received from Sally King at DCC with items at foreshore around the cairn. All resolved.
- c. Foreshore cleaning – email response from DCC regarding cleaning standards. The Facilities Manager is requested to oversee the cleaning standards and report any further problems. **ACTION – Facilities Manger**
- d. Email received from a resident regarding using beach huts in winter for artisan/craft sales. The Clerk had replied explaining that all the beach huts are rented for the winter.
- e. Email received from National Coast Watch requesting electricity supply to the Lookout. The Facilities Manger is meeting with an electrician on Thursday 11th January 2018 to forward this item.
- f. Email received from a resident requesting relocation of sand and shingle at the beach. Cllr Oatway had responded explaining that this was not possible due to the limitations under the Beach Management Plan.

F7.9 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 1 DAMP

With regard to the ongoing issue of the lease 1 damp a report had been circulated by Cllr Oatway which proposed the acceptance of the surveyor's quote. There was no seconder to this proposal. A counter proposal was made and seconded. It was

RESOLVED to obtain quotes from damp specialists to try and identify the problem and a solution in a more cost-effective manner in the first instance.

b. FORESHORE LEASE RENEWALS

- a. Lease 2 – It was proposed that a new lease be offered and terms agreed.
- b. Lease 3 – A new lease has been offered and it is proposed that terms be agreed.

The meeting concluded at 8.45p.m

Signed

Dated

Proposals to Full Council -

Old W.C. Lower Sea Lane Boundary Issue - To grant permission for five years.

Lease 2 – Proposed that a new lease be offered and terms agreed.

Lease 3 – Proposed that terms be agreed.