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MINUTES OF THE FORESHORE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 7:30PM ON TUESDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2017 AT THE ELMS

In attendance: Cllrs Paul Oatway (Chair), Graham Bender, Peter Noel (ex-officio) and the Deputy Clerk Melissa Kirkby.

4.1 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

There were no public present.

4.2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from David Clifford, another engagement; Judy Fellingham, holiday; Chris Shirley-Smith, family matter and Judith Shepperd, family matter.

4.3 DISPENSATIONS

There were none received.

4.4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none declared.

4.5 MINUTES

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

4.6 PROGRESS REPORTS

- a. Steps outside disabled toilet which are closed off – There are some issues with the intended original supplier, therefore WDDC are now awaiting quote from a different company to provide the handrail to the steps. Progress to be monitored. **ACTION – Clerk**
- b. Flood Warden update – Cllr Bender and Cllr Oatway had nothing to report.
- c. Shoreline Management Plan 2 – Cllr Oatway collating information to further this item.
ACTION – Cllr Oatway
- d. Overflow Car Park – Cllr Oatway gave details of the information received from WDDC and the beneficiary of the covenant on the land, regarding the possibility of a pathway around the overflow car park. It was
RESOLVED that the Committee pursue no further, any suggestions for any concrete or similar paths across the overflow car park because it will contravene the covenant.

- e. Recycle of Waste – Report of costs from Cllr Sheppard deferred to next meeting.
- f. Plants at Foreshore – Cllr Bender had been unable to find any suitable plants that would survive at the foreshore. It was agreed that Cllr Bender should have a discussion with the Clerk regarding advice offered previously from a local resident. **ACTION – Cllr Bender**
- g. Lease 1 Damp – Cllr Oatway to start preparing an invitation to quote document.
ACTION – Cllr Oatway
- h. Japanese Knotweed – A written report from the Facilities Manager of recent work by the contractor, was read by the Deputy Clerk. This stated that the first treatment had been applied and the contractor would return in the spring to cut.
- i. Dog Control Order – Cllr Oatway reported feedback from residents on social media seems largely positive to the idea of an order. The Clerk is consulting a solicitor to progress the item.
ACTION – Clerk
- j. Beach Access Planning Statement – Cllr Oatway is currently preparing the planning application.
ACTION – Cllr Oatway
- k. Rubbish Collection on Bank Holidays – Written report from Facilities Manager had been circulated to the members. Cllr Oatway is going to progress with this item. **ACTION – Cllr Oatway**
- l. 3 Counties Coast to Coast Bike Ride – Positive feedback received from the event was noted.

4.7 DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Foreshore Criminal Activity – Cllr Oatway commented that since the CHCC are installing CCTV the item is seen to be resolved. All agreed.
- b. Amphibious Microlight – Details of a microlight that was launched at the beach in August was circulated to the members. The issues of public safety and the need for insurance were discussed. It was agreed that Cllr Oatway would draft a policy statement for launching a microlight.
ACTION – Cllr Oatway
- c. Xmas Cover for Bins Emptying – Cllr Oatway suggested that staff were paid to cover the holidays. Referred to HR Committee. **ACTION – Clerk**
- d. Budget – A discussion took place about any projects that funds might be required for. It was agreed that substantial funding from multiple parties would be required for the proposed beach access project. It was agreed that figures are to be obtained by Cllr Oatway.
ACTION – Cllr Oatway

There was also a discussion about the foreshore toilets and the possibility that their responsibility would fall to the Parish Council. It was

RESOLVED to add a sum of £10,000 to the foreshore budgets for cleaning of foreshore toilets.

4.8 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION

- a. Email received from National Television & School Ltd – Requesting to film on beach. It was noted that the Clerk had given permission for this but not for the use of a UAV.
- b. Email received from Charmouth Events Ltd – Requesting permission for fireworks for 4th November and 31st December. After some discussion it was **RESOLVED** to give permission subject to complete insurance documents being received.
- c. Letter received from Jurassic Coast Trust – Requesting increase in funding contribution for the fossil warden. It was agreed that the Fossil Warden was a cost-effective necessity at the foreshore. **RESOLVED** to forward to Finance Committee for approval to increase funding to £750.00.
- d. Email received from Dorset Coast Forum – Invitation to attend the Dorset Coast Forum Annual Meeting. Also informing of new website www.dorsetcoast.com
Cllr Bender was interested in this event and it was agreed that he should attend.
ACTION - Clerk

4.9 CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER ISSUES TO NOTE

- a. Email received – Requesting permission for UAV flight which was refused by the Clerk in line with the Council’s policy. Noted by the members.

Meeting closed at 8.04pm

Signed

Dated