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MINUTES OF THE FORESHORE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 6:30PM ON TUESDAY 23 JUNE 2026

In attendance: Cllrs, Judith Sheppard, Julie Leah, Katie Moore, Melanie Harvey, Cllr Jane Bremner and the Administrator, Katherine Besant

FS26.26 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Judith Sheppard was nominated as Chair following no other nominations, it was
Resolved that Judith Sheppard be elected as chair of the Foreshore committee for the coming year

FS27.26 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Katie Moore was nominated as Vice-Chair following no other nominations, it was
Resolved that Katie Moore be elected as Vice- Chair of the Foreshore committee for the coming year

FS28.26 PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS

A member of the public who is interested in joining the Council introduced themselves to the committee

FS29.26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Sally Roberts – illness

FS30.26 DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensations.

FS31.26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest received

FS32.26 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Foreshore Committee held on the 21 April 2026 be agreed as a correct record and signed.

FS33.26 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes

FS34.26 PROGRESS REPORTS

- a. Buoys – it was agreed to have a special meeting to discuss the quote for repairs to the swim buoys and deployment for the 2026 season. It was proposed to have 6 buoys instead of 12. Lyme Regis harbour has been asked to repair and aim to deploy by 6th July
- b. Bins – the lockable skip worked well and has been collected; another one will be ordered when there is more rubbish/recycling
- c. Foreshore steps – the committee discussed the quote received to repair the steps. Cllr Judith Sheppard felt the quote was high, it is hoped that Future Coast will replace the steps later in the year. It was agreed to look into more minor repairs which would hopefully last the summer season.
- d. Artwork on the Factory building – the artwork was unveiled on 25th May. It was reported that some scratches had appeared and the artist was informed.

FS35.26 HAZARD & INCIDENT REPORT

- a. Abandoned fire on the beach – report of an abandoned fire on the beach by the Coastguard, to note

FS36.26 ENVIRONMENT MATTERS

The judging for Southwest in Bloom will be taking place on Wednesday 15th July

FS37.26 DISCUSSION ITEMS / TO BE NOTED

- a. Red Arrows – it was confirmed that members of the maintenance team will help on the day
- b. River Char Signage and bacterial monitoring – Cllr Judith Sheppard reported that the QR code on the river sign is for the Environment Agency and covers the West beach and not the river. Cllr Julie Leah produced a poster which showed a traffic light system explaining the pollution in the river, the QR Code is linked to the River Char Action Groups website showing the results of river pollution monitoring. It was agreed by the committee to put posters on the A board and cairn on Evans Green
- c. Aerial on NCI Building – to note a new aerial has been fitted to the NIC building
- d. Mowing Schedule – agreed by the committee

FS38.26 FUTURE COAST CHARMOUTH

- a. Meeting – agreed to discuss in committee

FS39.26 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a. Permissions
 - (i) Metal Detecting – two new applications, the total is now 56
- b. CHCC Banner – a request from the Heritage Coast Centre to have a banner to promote the 25th Anniversary of the World Heritage Coast was approved by the Clerk and Cllr Judith Sheppard
- c. NCI Day – permission was approved by the committee for a table to promote NCI day on 6th June

d. Beach levels – correspondence was received about access to the West beach from the wooden bridge and the level of the beach

The member of the public left the meeting

Cllr Judith Sheppard proposed to the committee to discuss details of a meeting with Future Coast Charmouth In Committee. Second by Cllr Jane Bremner and agreed

FS40.26 IN COMMITTEE

(a) Future Coast Charmouth – updates were discussed

The meeting closed at 8.21pm

Signed

Date

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