

was awaiting news from Vic Harmer regarding the collection and positioning of the full size boat. SDC has offered to plant it at cost price. All costs would be reclaimed from the HSIF.

- 6.2 **Parking signage** – this was still not on display although Cllr Findlay-Stone had written to KCC on three occasions. Action - The Parish Clerk to follow up on this.
- 6.3 **Windows into the Past-** Cllr LG stated that planning permission for the boards' placement on listed buildings numbers 46 and 61 Sandgate High Street had not yet been obtained.
- 6.4 **Wells, Wells, Wells,** Cllr TP told the committee that renovation work was underway at 82 Sandgate Hill Street. It would be open at the beginning of June and would feature displays, tapes about Wells' life and an exhibition. Wickes had provided over £1000 of free equipment and a local electrician gave his time for free. Rental for the property would be £350 per month, to commence when the shop opened. The Parish Clerk asked that if any monies were needed up front it would be good to receive a written request before next week's meeting so that a cheque could be signed at the meeting.
- 6.5 **Phase Two Signage Project-** Examples of signage were shown to the committee by Cllr TP. It was proposed that the project be moved forward with the purchase of signage.
Proposed by: Cllr Robert Bliss
Seconded by: Cllr Tim Prater
Agreed by all.
- 6.6 **Flags-** It was agreed that 12 centenary flags and 3 or 4 French flags should be purchased with last year's underspend.

7. **Beach Advisory Group update**

- 7.1 **Seaside Awards** to be formally announced on 20th May
- 7.2 **Cycle signs** – Cllr MFS sent information that Cycle Shepway was purchasing signs relating to safe driving in the parish, these would include 'Sandgate Welcomes Safe Drivers' and 'Cyclists please dismount at busy times'.
- 7.3 **Kiosk** - the Parish Clerk showed the committee the Urban Village catalogue of possible noticeboards for the side of the kiosk. The committee agreed that, subject to SDC's permission for its siting, the Parish Clerk could choose a board (including fixing) up to the sum of £250 from the environment budget.
Proposed by: Cllr Leo Griggs
Seconded by: Cllr Nina Bliss
Agreed by all
- 7.4 **Vendors** - the Assistant Parish Clerk informed the committee that all vendors on Granville Parade would need a Street Trading Licence from SDC.
- 7.5 **Walkway** - the Parish Clerk updated the committee about previous emails regarding ownership of the walkway and that she was still awaiting a response from an email to Jeremy Chambers.
- 7.6 **Boardwalk** Cllr TP suggested this item be deferred until next meeting, so that details of potential size, length, costs etc. could be brought and considered.
- 7.7 **Sand pit on the beach-** Cllrs RB and NB said that the suggestion to have a sand pit had been turned down at previous meeting. It was proposed that this wasn't taken further.
Proposed by Cllr Robert Bliss
Seconded by Cllr Nina Bliss
For 7; Abstention: 1; motion carried

8. Christmas Lights

Cllr NB told the committee that negotiations were underway with Millennium Quest to buy back the lights. NB said that it was hoped that the Valley lights and Santa's Sleigh be kept. The committee agreed that other sale options should be considered.

9. Environmental Improvements

9.1 The committee discussed the problem of disruptive teens in the Enbrook Valley car park and various deterrents were considered. Cllr RB asked the Parish Clerk to check with the CSU about deterrents.

9.2 Cllr RB informed the committee that there was a new Police Chief and that a new police force especially for Shepway was being established, its make up to be revealed at the end of June.

9.3 The Parish Clerk showed the committee the various designs of planters, and it was agreed to await more information from the management of Riviera Court as to their plans for wheelie bin screening.

10. Business and Tourism Advisory Group report

Cllr Prater stated emails have been sent to local businesses inviting applications for hanging baskets, responses to be received by Monday 12th May. Applications have been sent to the KCC for permission to hang baskets and flags.

11. Information from Sandgate Society - the Sandgate Leaflet Trail was now being designed.

12. Shorncliffe Development-Cllr LG and other members met to discuss proposals for S106; this would be brought to the next environment meeting.

13. Summer events- Cllr JH told the committee of plans for summer events. On 29 June there would be a music event. JH would be meeting with a band on 7th May. The Boules club had invited Sangatte boules members.

14. Information-

14.1 Cllr LG told the committee about his concern over water cascading down Enbrook Road; Cllr JH stated this had previously been raised with KCC and she would follow up on it.

14.2 Toilet blocks - the Parish Clerk told the committee that the companies bidding for the toilet block demolition contract had resubmitted updated bids with inclusion of addition works. The clerk would see if an electrical connection could be maintained after the removal of the block.

14.3 Car park on the Rec - the committee was informed that the Assistant Clerk would be organising a meeting with Tony Jenson at Kent Highways, Cllr Hod Birkby and Cllr Prater.

15. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 3rd June 2014

The meeting ended at 8:22pm

Signed by the Environment Committee Chairman.....Date.....