



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of an Environment Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 7th November 2017

Present: Chairman Councillor Marjorie Findlay-Stone

Councillors: Councillors Robert Bliss, Nina Bliss, Michael Fitch, , Nabin Siwa, Guy Valentine-Neale, Kurt Stephens and Tim Prater

Clerk: G Thomas

These Minutes will only be deemed to be a correct record of the meeting when approved and signed at the next meeting

Meeting started 7.00pm.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Councillors Gary Fuller and Adrian Watts.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October 2017, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.
Proposed by: Councillor Kurt Stephens
Seconded by: Councillor Guy Valentine-Neale
Agreed by all who had been present
4. **Communications received-**
 - Numerous emails received regarding RRRA's meeting with Mr Fred Miller and Cllr Berry proposing an amendment to parking restrictions in Radnor Cliff and Riviera. Clerk has spoken to Mr Miller and he has said that any proposals will be considered by Cllr Berry who would then make the final decision
 - Emails requests received for repositioning of benches, Clerk had contacted Damien Cock and it was established that a new siting had already been arranged
 - Emails received regarding proposed ramp from car park to seafront – Clerk to continue this discussion with SDC.
5. **Business community update**

It was felt that there was a degree of apathy amongst the businesses regarding the forum. It was agreed that a new format for future meetings needed to be formalised, with fewer meetings but each with a clear focus. Cllr Findlay-Stone to lead on this.
6. **Traffic and Parking update**

It was noted that SPC has considered the parking proposals in the round and made its representations to Mr Miller regarding the consultation. Individual residents have been encouraged to make their own representations concerning their particular issues.
7. **Update to SDS review**

It was agreed that the review would be discussed at the main council meeting on 21st November, all councillors having read and approved all changes. A linked web page was proposed which would need to be linked to the online SDS document and tenders would be invited. Cllr Valentine-Neale to produce a brief on the web page for going out to tender and bring to next meeting.

Action: Clerk to ask Bruce Crook to quote on a 50 copies run

8. Beach Management Group update

Email received from SDC confirming the beach replenishment to start on 11th November.

9. Environmental Improvements

9.1 Wheelie bins – update: Riviera Court have said they don't need all the bins at both ends of the area outside. Some have been chained up and will be removed. The remainder will be placed with the other bins belonging to SJMC. SPC awaits any proposals from Riviera Court re: concealing the remaining bins. All businesses which had previously been incorrectly using the bins at Riviera Court would now have to take out contracts for bin collections.

9.2 Street cleaning fly-posting / drains / litter / faults reported to KCC/SDC;

A number of areas had been graffitied in the parish, and the clerk had been in contact with SDC regarding this. It is necessary to arrange to have all areas of graffiti removed,

Action: clerk to contact SDC again to expedite cleaning.

A report regarding blocked gullies and drains had been sent by the clerk to KCC and some cleansing of gullies had resulted.

A recent report from KCC regarding the flood risk in Sandgate and the cleaning of drains and gullies had been received and it was noted that some areas were regarded as priority areas for cleansing.

Action: Clerk to contact KCC to ask for a schedule of cleansing and to confirm which areas in Sandgate were classified as priority areas for cleansing.

9.3 War Memorial boards: Councillor Kurt Stephens advised that the artwork had been finalised and would be in place by Remembrance Day.

Action: Photos of the boards to be sent to the Lord Lieutenant

10 Budget Proposals

The Environment Committee's budget proposals for next year were discussed and agreed

Proposed by Cllr Tim Prater

Seconded by Nabin Siwa

Agreed by all

11 Events

Scott Cheesman was to have spoken at the meeting but was unable to attend. Mr Cheesman to be asked to write a report for presenting at the main council meeting.

Action: Clerk to contact Mr Cheesman

The Christmas Switch on event would be taking place on Saturday 25th at 6.00. It was proposed that mulled wine and mince pies should be available free of charge.

Proposed by Cllr Guy Valentine-Neale

Seconded by Cllr Marjorie Findlay-Stone

Agreed by 5

Abstentions 2

12 Sandgate Society

The Archive evening would take place 8th November at 7.00pm in OFS; Christmas Party on Friday 1st December

13 Date of next meeting- Tuesday 5th December 2017

Meeting ended at 8.15 pm

Signed by the Environment Committee Chairman.....