



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of an Environment Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 4 September 2018 at 7 pm

Present: Chairman Councillor Marjorie Findlay-Stone

Councillors: Councillors, Michael Fitch, Gary Fuller, Tim Prater , Nabin Siwa, Guy Valentine-Neale and Adrian Watts.

Clerk: P Savage

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

1. **Apologies for absence:** Councillors Robert Bliss and Nina Bliss.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on 3 July 2018, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.
Proposed by: Councillor Michael Fitch
Seconded by: Councillor Tim Prater
Agreed by all who had been present
3. **Declarations of interest** – none were declared.
4. **Communications received-**
 - 4.1 Update on open forum: this would be on 11 October 2018 at 5pm in the Chichester Hall to discuss anti social behaviour and possible solutions. The police had already agreed to attend and other representatives would be encouraged to be present.
 - 4.2 Correspondence from RRRRA on parking issues relating to summer use of the coastal park: FHDC to be asked to take action for next year which should include encouraging use of Folkestone seafront car parks (use post code in publicity for SatNavs); reconsideration of hours of controlled parking to make winter hours better for residents' visitors (suggested 10-4, seven days a week from October to March)
 - 4.3 Correspondence concerning further graffiti on sea wall near Cliffe House and on refuse bins: action needed.
5. **Business community update**
 - 5.1 Noted that the Business Forum had been wound up. Councillor Prater indicated that he had received further concerns from local businesses about parking enforcement, which needed to be taken up with FHDC.

6. Traffic and Parking update

6.1 This had been covered under minute 4.

7. Beach Management Group

It was agreed that the beach was exceptionally clean. Thanks were expressed to Marie. FHDC to be asked whether a part time winter service could continue. Thanks were also expressed for the clean up after the Sea Festival fireworks which had been very impressive and much appreciated.

8. Environmental Improvements

8.1 Various street cleaning issues were raised including gulley cleansing and guano clearance. Details were provided to the clerk who was to action these with the relevant parties.

8.2 Noted that the Sandgate Society had purchased two further planters for outside Riviera Court and had asked for a quote for the removal/improvement of the adjacent concreted area.

9. Christmas lights event

Agreed that this be held on 1 December 2018 – clerks to make appropriate arrangements with SAGA.

10 Sandgate Society

It was noted that the Sandgate Society's latest speaker event would be on 26 September 2018 at 7 for 7.30pm

11. Information

Councillor Watts expressed pleasure at the seafront being so popular this summer which must have benefited high street businesses. FHDC should be encouraged to retain free parking along the Esplanade and associated streets in order to continue to support the local economy.

Date of next meeting- Tuesday 2 October 2018 at 7pm

The meeting ended at 7.54 pm

Signed by the Environment Committee Chairman.....