



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of an Environment Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 6th November 2018 at 7 pm

Present: Councillor Robert Bliss in the chair
Proposed as Chairman for this meeting
Proposed by Cllr Tim Prater
Seconded by Cllr Adrian Watts
Agreed by all

Present: Councillors Robert Bliss, Paul Bingham, Tim Prater, Nabin Siwa, and Adrian Watts.

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

1. **Apologies for absence:** Councillors Nina Bliss, Gary Fuller, , Michael Fitch, Marjorie Findlay-Stone and Guy Valentine.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd October , having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.
Proposed by: Councillor Adrian Watts
Seconded by: Councillor Tim Prater
Agreed by all who had been present
3. **Declarations of interest** – none were declared.
4. **Communications received**
 - 4.1 Meeting between Mik Peirson, Cllr Findlay-Stone and the parish clerk took place 1st November. It was agreed that Saga would cover the cycle rack with fast growing shrubs. This was noted.
 - 4.2 Email received from Richard Kemp of FHDC regarding a request for the placement of two memorial benches near the Sandgate Rowing Club. The Rowing Club were consulted and it was felt that it would impede the egress of their boats and cars and access to the beach.
Action: Clerk to contact Mr Kemp and ask if it would be possible to replace the new benches with others which were being removed
5. **Traffic and Parking update**
 - 5.1 It was noted that an article in the Folkestone and Hythe Express entitled ‘Nearby roads not affected by Parade parking charges’, contained a number of inaccuracies and it was agreed this should be formally discussed at the main council meeting on 20th November.
Action: Clerk to add to agenda

5.2 It was noted that Cllr Findlay Stone and the parish clerk met with Mik Peirson at Saga and that Saga were agreeable about the public use of their car park over weekends and asked for the 'free parking' sign to be given to them.

Action; Clerk to asked Saga for formal confirmation of this agreement

6. Beach Management Group

6.1 It was agreed to continue to seek permission to have a ramp constructed from the Castle Road Car Park onto the walkway, but it was noted that there was some confusion relating to ownership of parts of this area.

Action: to be discussed by LAM Committee. Clerk to canvas view of disablement organisations.

6.2 The next beach cleaning to take place on 9th December at 10.00 –this was noted.

7. Environmental Improvements

7.1 It was noted that the drain cleansing schedule was available on line.

Action: Clerk to contact Cllr Love to obtain code to access schedule.

7.2 It was noted that Harmers would be replacing three metal waste bins in the High Street with three refurbished ones.

7.3 It was noted that the hole on the village green surrounded by barriers should now be filled and the barriers removed.

Action: Clerk to contact FHDC

8. Christmas lights event

It was noted that the Christmas Lights event would take place on 24th November at Saga. At this event, there would be piped Christmas music, Father Christmas and gifts for all children. Saga kindly agreed to provide free mince pies and this was gratefully accepted.

Action: Clerk to send a letter of thanks after the event.

9. Sandgate Society

It was noted that the 'footprints', memorial bench, and memorial information board were now all in place at the War Memorial. A resin poppy had been donated by Heritages Homes and Drives, the information board by Robinson Studios and Cllr Love's Member's Grant had paid for the bench and the refurbishment of the benches.

Action: Clerk to write to Heritage Homes, Robinson Studios and Cllr Love thanking them for their kind contributions to the site of the War Memorial.

10. Information – there was none on this occasion

11. Date of next meeting- Tuesday 4th December 2018 at 7pm

The meeting ended at 7.46 pm

Signed by the Environment Committee Chairman.....