



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of an Environment Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 2nd July 2019

Present: Chairman Councillor Tim Prater

Councillors: Councillors Michael Fitch, Nabin Siwa, Tracy Stephens and Lewis Whitnall

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:** Councillor Gary Fuller and Vanessa Reay.
2. **Minutes of the last meeting** – the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2019, having been previously circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed.
Proposed by: Councillor Nabin Siwa
Seconded by: Councillor Michael Fitch
Agreed by all who had been present

3. **Declarations of interest** – none were declared.

4. **Communications**

4.1 The clerk provided an overview of the correspondence and resultant actions, received over the previous month,

4.2 Email received regarding the Saga Community Garden surplus produce, it was agreed that a table could be made available in the library.

4.3 Email received requesting support for an additional dog or general waste bin on the lamp post on the corner of Radnor Cliff Crescent. It was agreed that SPC would support this request and that if required SPC would provide the bin.

Action: Clerk to contact Simon Burchell to request an additional bin and collection

5. **Standing Issues**

Beaches

It was noted that the beach was being kept clean. However there was concern about dogs regularly on the dog free area of the beach. It was noted that there was a team of Enforcement Officers and the importance of communicating times when offenders were regularly present on the beach was stressed.

Action: Clerk to send a mail out to residents to ask for assistance

Transport, highways and parking

It was noted that there was now new junction protection in place in Enbrook Valley / Oxenden Road. It was also noted that the CPZ would be extended into Eversley Way and at after a formal consultation there would be some variation in the CPZ in place at Radnor Cliff.

Signage, bins, noticeboards

It was noted that the hedges around the Sandgate Hill boat needed trimming back

Action: Clerk to contact Harmers to arrange this

It was noted that trees opposite the park were overhanging the Highways

Action: Clerk to contact Kent Highways

It was suggested that a general waste community bin in the High Street would help flats where rubbish storage space was limited. Although this is outside the current Veolia waste contract, Cllr Prater said he was planning to discuss this at District level as the Veolia contract is up for renewal over the next year.

Action : Cllr Prater to feed back any news to the committee

Other environmental issues affecting the parish

It was noted that Cllr Prater had reported 22 blocked drains and 2 damaged manhole covers to Kent Highways

It was noted that blocked pavement drains outside some businesses were creating puddling and additional debris on the pavement.

Action: Clerk to contact Environmental Services

5.1 Proposal to purchase additional planters for the flats opposite the Providence.

This was discussed and it was felt that it would provide an additional attractive element to the improved street scene in Sandgate.

Proposal to purchase additional planters for the flats opposite the Providence was to a maximum value of £250.00 to include planting

Proposed by Cllr Tim Prater

Seconded by Cllr L Whitnall

For: 4

Against: 1

6. Reports from Sub-Committees and Working Groups

None at this time

7. Information

The best way for businesses in the High Street to be promoted at the Sea Festival was discussed and it was agreed that any businesses should contact Cllr Whitnall who would add the information to the event's social media.

Action: Clerk to send mail out to all businesses to inform them of this and to advise of Cllr Whitnall's contact details

8. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Signed by the Environment Committee Chairman.....