

SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT

Minutes of the proceedings of the **February ENVIRONMENT** of the **Council** held at **7 p.m.** in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre, Sedgefield, on **Monday 15th February 2010.**

Present

Cllr. Ian Sutherland (Chairman)

Cllr. Norman Dunn (Vice-Chairman) and

Cllrs. A. Blakemore, D. Brown, H. Clifford-Brown, S. Green, T. Jeanes, J. Robinson, M. Robinson, D. Waters

Officer

L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies

Cllrs. S. Sutherland, S. Hannan, P. Bodo, M. Brown

2. Declaration of interest

None

3. Matters of Information

3.1 Church Wall

The Clerk reported on progress and that the second tenders are expected on Friday 26th February. The Clerk confirmed that there is no insurance cover on the wall and in addition a request has been made by Mr. Roy Smeeton that a temporary foot way be created on Rectory Row. (This has been passed onto DCC).

RECOMMENDED

- i) To receive the information**
- ii) To hold a special P & R committee meeting on Monday 1st March at 6.30 pm to discuss the tenders.**

4. Reports

4.1 Sedgefield in Bloom

The Chairman of the Bloom Councillor Ian Sutherland gave a brief report. The planting

licenses for the roundabouts and borders are now expected and there has been an anonymous donation of a seed drill which the Community College have agreed to carry out some repairs. In addition Stephen Roper has been asked for a price to provide recycling bays at the Cemetery and this is awaited.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.2 Parish Paths Partnership

A report had been circulated.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

4.3 Bus Shelter: Thorpe Larches

The Clerk informed Members that finally the insurance company has confirmed payment of £2200 in respect of damage done to the shelter about a year ago.

However, the Clerk is unable to obtain tenders for the creation of a wooden shelter and asked if anyone who had any contact details to pass them onto the office.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

5. Correspondence

5.1 County Durham Environment Award

Information re the above has been received.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

5.2 Grassed Area opposite Dentist

An email has been received from Mrs. Howell re damage to the grassed area on West Park Lane. Cllr. Robinson said he had passed this onto the Fire Station and that the area should be monitored until after the new Fire Station is built and then permanent action may be taken.

5.3 Tree works: Winterton Allotments

The Clerk reported that the NEDL are carrying out some works on trees and hedges around the Winterton Allotment site due to encroachment onto the power lines. This was necessitating the sycamore tree in the privet hedge to be reduced and also the overall hedge to be cut back.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

5.4 Public Consultation re Contaminated Land Strategy

Information and the planning document in regard of the above had been received.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

6. Planning

Once again Members were unable to access the planning for an application on the Lane.
This to be reported to DCC.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.35 p.m.