

# SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

## ENVIRONMENT

Minutes of the proceedings of the **March ENVIRONMENT** of the **Council**  
held at **7 p.m.** in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre,  
Sedgefield, on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2011.**

### Present

**Cllr. Ian Sutherland (Chairman)**

**Cllr. Norman Dunn (Vice-Chairman) and**

Cllrs. P. Bodo, A. Blakemore, D. Brown, M. Brown, J. Robinson, M. Robinson, S. Sutherland, R. Taylor, D. Waters

### Officer

L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

#### 1. **Apologies**

Cllrs. T. Jeanes, S. Hannan

#### 2. **Declaration of interest**

None

#### 3. **Matters of Information**

##### 3.1 **Recycling Bays: Cemetery**

Cllr. John Robinson said he had not had a response re the application to Durham County Foundation re the above

##### 3.2 **Tree: 40 North End**

The Clerk informed Members that no correspondence / contact has been made from Zurich re the above.

##### 3.3 **Bier: Cemetery**

The Clerk informed Members that Mr. Stephen Young; Gardening Supervisor is returning to work in April and will meet with Mr. Amlin re his father's grave. Once this has been sorted out arrangements will be made with the Coop re the bier.

## **4. Reports**

### **4.1 Sedgefield in Bloom**

The minutes had been circulated.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

### **4.2 Trees: Mitford Court**

The Clerk had circulated a report re the recent meeting with residents regarding Mitford Court. As a result of the meeting Cllr. Ian Sutherland and Mr. Rodger Lowe (DCC) have visited the site to reappraise the felling and pruning and Premier Tree Services have been asked to give a quotation for the revised works.

## **5 Correspondence**

### **5.1 Winterton Allotments**

A letter has been received from Mr. Gary Sellers thanking the Council for the fencing, the gate and the removal of the rubbish.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

### **5.2 Limestone Landscapes**

Information has been received from the above.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To receive the information**

### **5.3 Help for Heroes**

The Clerk said she had been contacted by Mr. David Hillerby of the Sedgefield Veterans asking for permission for use of the Village Green in April for a fund raising event.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To allow permission for the Green for this purpose**

### **5.4 Bus Shelters: Old Community Hospital**

A letter has been received from Mr. Stephen Muse (DCC) confirming that one of the shelters on the North bound route is unsafe and will be taken down by DCC whilst the shelter on the opposite side DCC consider to be in a good, safe condition and will remain in situation.

### **5.5 Bus Shelter: Community Hospital**

The Clerk said she had obtained a quote of £600 for repairs to the Perspex at the bus shelter outside the Community Hospital.

**RECOMMENDED**

**To go ahead with the repairs at a cost of £600**

**5.6 Mrs. M. Waters re the Cemetery**

A letter has been received from Mrs. M. Waters expressing some concerns about the Cemetery and in particular the leveling of graves.

**RECOMMENDED**

**The Clerk to respond accordingly**

**6. Snow Squad**

Cllr. John Robinson gave details of a snow squad acting at Wingate who had obtained funding through the County Durham Foundation.

**RECOMMENDED**

**Cllr Dudley Waters to obtain details**

**7. Church Wall**

Information has been received from Mr. Kearton re the Church Wall.

**RECOMMENDED**

**The Clerk to arrange a meeting with Mr. Kearton and Members to discuss and bring details back to the next Environment committee meeting**

**8. Bus Shelters – Adjacent to Winterton Cottages**

Information has been received from DCC re removing the existing brick bus shelters and DCC to provide two new bus shelters at these locations. Sedgefield Town Council will then take over maintenance and responsibility for both of the new bus shelters once installed. In addition a new bus shelter will be provided at the North West bound bus stop for Net Park and again STC will take over maintenance and responsibility once installed.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 p.m.