

SEDGEFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT

Minutes of the proceedings of the **JULY ENVIRONMENT** of the **Council** held in the **Council Offices**, Advice & Information Centre, Sedgefield, on **Monday 21st July 2008**.

Present **Cllr. Ian Sutherland (Chairman)**
Cllr. Norman Dunn (Vice-Chairman) and
Cllrs. S. Sutherland, T. Jeanes, J. Robinson, H. Clifford-Brown, M. Brown,
M. Robinson

Officer L. K. Swinbank (Town Clerk)

1. **Apologies**

Cllrs. A. Blakemore, M. Garrood, S. Hannan, D. Waters, D. Brown

2. **Declaration of interest**

None

3. **Matters of Information**

3.1 **Fence – Golden Lion**

The Chairman, Cllr. Ian Sutherland informed Members that there will be a site meeting with Officers from DCC and Civic Trust on 4th September.

3.2 **Bus Shelter**

Cllr. John Robinson said that Care Principles have now been bought out by another Company.

4. **Reports**

4.1 **Memorial Policy**

The Memorial Policy had been circulated.

RECOMMENDED

It was agreed to add in the regulations regarding plaques for the extension of the Memorial Garden. These must be of a standard 30 x 30cm size – either lying flat or sloped. In addition an integral vase will be allowed with the memorial but not separate.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Dog Bin Provision Hardwick Park

Information has been received from Sedgefield Borough Council that they are unable to provide additional dog bins at Hardwick Park.

RECOMMENDED

To write to Durham County Council asking that they provide both additional dog bins and litter bins.

5.2 Old Winterton Cemetery and Allotment Land

A letter has now been received from Mrs. Jackie Kirkman the Property Surveyor for the Department of Health seeking clarification on the situation as to whether the Town Council still wish to proceed with the acquisition of the Old Winterton Cemetery and Allotment land.

RECOMMENDED

The Clerk to reply confirming that the Town Council still wish to carry on with this as soon as possible.

5.3 National Grid

Information has been received re the new sub-station at Spennymoor and rebuilding the Spennymoor-Norton Electricity Transmission Line.

RECOMMENDED

To receive the information

6. Ceddesfeld Hall Grounds

Cllr. Norman Dunn said that he had been working with the Chairman, Cllr. Ian Sutherland to draw up a plan for Ceddesfeld Hall Grounds. He said this was building upon the existing tree survey and will incorporate the recommendations following the meeting with Rodger Lowe who is to carry out a tree survey. In addition the Chair Cllr. Ian Sutherland said that it would be important to set aside some funding for works in the Park for the future.

In addition concern was expressed about the lack of reinstatement following the new gas pipe which has been made to the Squash Club. The Clerk said she would contact the Chairman of the Squash Club Mr. Michael Carr as soon as he returns from holiday to make progress on this.

7. Matters from the Residents' Forum

Cllr. May Brown said that traffic calming issues had been raised at the last meeting of the Residents' Forum and in addition issues surrounding the road junction of West End/Spring Lane.

RECOMMENDED

To discuss parking/traffic at the September Environment committee meeting

8. Path – Lych Gate – Rectory Row

Concern was expressed about the state of the path from the Lych gate to Rectory Row.

RECOMMENDED

The Clerk to obtain prices for “scarifying”

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.