

**BARTON - UPON - HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES of an ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Committee Room on**  
**MONDAY 20 February 2023 at 6.15pm**

**Present:** Councillor N Jacques (Chairman)  
 Councillors A Chapman, Mrs C Thornton, and Cllr B Troop

**Also Present:** Ms T Davis (Town Clerk) and Vikki Etherington – Humber Emergency Planning Service

HEPS (Humber Emergency Planning Service) Presentation  
 Vikki complimented the council on a really thorough Stage 3 Emergency Plan which is just three years old. She went on to explain that the plan should be reviewed annually. Encouragement is now to develop a less wordy and reduced paper form of a plan that contains all the main details and contacts, easier for management in the event of an emergency than a document filled with lots of pages. Examples were passed around to the members and it was suggested that a questionnaire be completed and HEPS will help put together the new plan.

Vikki was thanked for her time and the council are looking forward to working with HEPS.

353. **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr N Pinchbeck (Personal)  
 Cllr Mrs S Evison (Personal)

354. **Declarations of Interest**

None.

355. **Emergency Plan/Committee**

**AGREED Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr B Troop**

Cllr N Jacques, Cllr B Troop, Cllr Mrs C Thornton and Cllr A Chapman to be members of the Emergency Plan Sub-Committee  
**Unanimous**

356. **Update on Community Orchard and Wildflower verge consultation**

Wildflower consultation has received 11 positive responses and 3 negative responses. It was agreed to ask the grass cutting contractor to rotavate the area and after taking advice to purchase the seed with a timescale of sowing in mid-March. The area is included in the main grass cutting contract.

**AGREED Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr A Chapman**

To purchase Cornfield Mix seed following advice from the North Lincolnshire Council Officers at 10g per square metre  
**Unanimous**

Community Orchard consultation has received 7 positive responses and 2 undecided. It was agreed to contact the North Lincolnshire Council Tree Officer to gain advice on the exact location for six fruit trees and to await the outcome of the planning application that is with the Local Planning Authority for additional storage units.

357. **Quotations received and decision on contract for the Planters and Beds**

Clerk explained that one quotation has been received and another is expected, however the question of business sponsorship has been raised.

**AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr B Troop, Seconded Cllr N Jacques**  
 To delegate to the Environment Working Group the responsibility of deciding on which quotation to accept within the relevant budget of £12000 to maintain planters and beds in the town.  
**Unanimous**

358. **Actions from the Environment Working Group**

Chairman explained that the clerk and he had a good meeting with North Lincolnshire Highways and they have agreed to fund new steel finger posts in a design acceptable to the council with the possibility of additional posts if required. Further details of the project have been sent to North Lincolnshire Council Highways Officer and costs will be obtained from a company who makes the finger posts.

Still awaiting feedback from North Lincolnshire Council on the Waste Bin Audit.

Clerk to contact Barton Baggers to enquire what their plans are for the Great British Spring Clean week and if there is anything the council can do to support.

359. **Hanging Basket Competition**

**AGREED**      **Proposed Cllr N Jacques, Seconded Cllr A Chapman**  
 To follow the same format as last year and aim to advertise in the May edition of the Bartonian  
**Unanimous**

360. **Update on Ferriby Road Roundabout**

Plants are now being ordered. Planter will be ordered with discussions with North Lincolnshire Council and Barton Tourism Partnership over the timing of the centre piece.  
 Clerk will arrange to meet with the North Lincolnshire Highways Officer to discuss the requirement for all the signage currently on the roundabout and the removal of the big boulders.

361. **Volunteer maintenance of planters – discussion on implementation of volunteer maintenance**

Members discussed ways to facilitate this initiative.

It was felt that more thought is required in how to administer a volunteer project for the planters and beds. Community engagement does win points in the CPRE competition and it was thought

that consideration could be made that certain beds and planters are identified as community ones. To refer back to the Environment Working Group for further discussion.

362. **Progress on Carbon Footprint Calculations**

Climate Change information can be found on the National Association of Local Councils Website and Clerk will share with members for further action.

The Chairman, Councillor N Jacques closed the meeting at 19.20

..... Chairman  
20<sup>th</sup> February 2023