

DAWLISH TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the
Civic Amenities Committee
held at The Manor House, Dawlish on
Wednesday, 22 May 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

Present

Councillors Mawhood (Chairman), Dawson (Vice Chairman), Foden (ex-officio), M. Lowther, Mayne, Prowse and Woods.

Absent

Councillor James.

Officer in attendance

Andrew McKenzie – Town Clerk.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

The following minutes will be considered for approval at the next meeting of the Civic Amenities Committee and may be subject to change until that time.

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Taylor and Wrigley.

Resolved that the apologies be noted.

2 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There had been no requests for dispensations.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2019 be signed as a correct and accurate recording of the meeting.

5 BROWNSBROOK ALLOTMENTS

The Chairman provided an update from the allotment association as follows:

The Association Committee is hoping to organise a working party to replace the rotten fence by the car parking area and we have already had 12 upright posts delivered. Upon inspection there are also other posts that need replacing therefore we would like to request the following additional items please:

*3.6m split cross rails x 16 (fence horizontals)
6 x Additional fence uprights*

In addition, the Clerk advised that there were approximately 30 people currently on the allotment waiting list.

Resolved that the update be noted, and approval be given to purchasing the additional items as detailed above.

6 DAWLISH WATERFOWL

The Clerk advised that two humane fox traps had been purchased by the Waterfowl Wardens. However, upon further investigation it had become apparent that whilst the traps were humane, it was against the law to relocate caught foxes and that they must be euthanised. This information had not been established at the time of purchase and therefore refunds had been made of the traps to give Committee further opportunity as to whether it wished to progress such a course of action.

Resolved that the update be noted, and the matter be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

7 ALLOTMENT WORKING GROUP

Resolved that all Members of the Council be invited to join the allotment working group. The Clerk to email Members.

8 TOWN & PARISH AUDIT

The Clerk circulated the first iteration of the audit to give new Members an opportunity to see the types of issues being reported for action by the responsible authority. Following discussion, it was suggested the audit be split by Wards to more easily identify issues for Members relating to their areas.

Resolved that the update be noted.

9 WAR MEMORIAL GARDENS

The Chairman advised the rubble that had been found in the memorial gardens appeared to be derived from the works undertaken to install a heritage board nearby, as the contents contained broken tarmac. Teignbridge District Council's Blitz Team had been contacted to remove the waste and there was therefore no need for the previously approved signs.

Resolved that the update be noted.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.04 p.m.

Councillor Val Mawhood
CHAIRMAN