

**DAWLISH TOWN COUNCIL**  
Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Civic Amenities Committee  
held at The Manor House, Dawlish on  
Wednesday, 17 July 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present**

Councillors Mawhood (Chairman), Dawson, Foden (ex-officio), Heath, James, M. Lowther, Prowse, Taylor and Woods.

**Officers in attendance**

Andrew McKenzie – Town Clerk and Angie Weatherhead - Events, Projects and Tourism Officer.

**Public Participation**

There was a member of the public in attendance.

*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.*

**23 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mayne, Prowse and Wrigley.

**RESOLVED** that the apologies be noted.

**24 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There had been no requests for dispensations.

**25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**26 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 May and 19 June 2019 be signed as correct and accurate recording of the meeting.

**27 DAWLISH WATERFOWL**

Gates at Tuck's Plot had been installed and the Chairman congratulated all those involved as they made an improvement to the area. The temporary fencing would be removed.

**(i) FREE RANGE WATERFOWL SIGNAGE**

**RESOLVED** that the officer report further details on signage to the September Civic Amenities Committee meeting.

**(ii) DOGS OFF LEAD SIGNS**

**RESOLVED** that officers liaise with Teignbridge District Council over whether there were visible signs at every entrance to the Lawn.

**(iii) SWAN INFORMATION BOARDS AND SWAN CAM**

**RESOLVED** that the revised version of the static board and the location be on the September agenda, with the Swan Cam being investigated as part of the CCTV working group.

**(iv) INCREASED FENCING HEIGHT/REPLACEMENT**

Councillor Woods updated the meeting with information.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Taylor follow up with Teignbridge District Council information on suppliers and Councillor Woods pass the information onto officers to follow up.

**28 COMMUNITY INFORMATION NOTICE BOARDS**

Councillor Foden outlined the history to the community information notice boards.

**RESOLVED** that officers obtain two quotes for two boards (Little Week Play Park and the Buntings) in both oak and man-made timber (MMT) with details of whether a bulk order would reduce the cost. These quotes should include two-bay types to take 8 A4 and 12 A4 with border header including 'Dawlish Town Council Community Information Notice Board'. The quotes should be circulated before the meeting in September and suppliers should be asked if they could visit with a notice board for Councillors to see. Maintenance updates on oak notice boards should be checked with the suppliers. Councillors to email office with additional potential notice board locations for collating a list for consideration at the September meeting.

**29 CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

Councillor Dawson noted that wildflower planting on verges by some councils had saved funds and positively impacted on wildlife.

**RESOLVED** that Committee members pass suggested locations onto the Climate Emergency Working Group as Dawlish Town Council did not own any verges, and that the officer contact Devon County Council about replacing small roadside trees which had been taken down.

**30 CORYTON COVE CLEANSING**

The Chairman raised issues regarding the cleansing of the Coryton Cove beach.

**RESOLVED by majority with one abstention** that Town Clerk investigate the ownership of the beach with the outcome to go forward to the Town Council September agenda regarding responsibility for cleansing of the beach.

**31 LITTLE WEEK PLAY PARK**

The contractor was unable to start work as planned in July on the playpark.

**RESOLVED** that the contractor be arranged for a revised date in September after the school holidays and that the delay be communicated to playpark users.

**32 FISHING IN THE BROOK**

There was no byelaw preventing fishing in the Brook. Those fishing required a rod licence and to adhere to Environment Agency rules.

**RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk log further incidents and if the problem persisted to consider further action.

**33 BROWNSBROOK ALLOTMENTS**

The Chairman had sent out a report from BBAA which indicated that the BBAA would like to put up an awning.

**RESOLVED** that officers investigate whether the BBAA needed planning permission from the Town Council or the landholder for the awning. Officers should communicate that the Committee suggested that the BBAA consider other sources of funding for the awning.

**34 BENCHES AT LEA MOUNT**

Councillor Woods spoke about having a bench on land near the Leisure Centre. The Town Clerk had also been contacted by Teignbridge District Council about resiting three Town Council benches above Coryton Cove (currently roped off) further up Lea Mount.

**RESOLVED** that subject to officers obtaining details on cost and permission one of the benches could be resited to the land near the Leisure Centre and the other two moved further up Lea Mount.

**35 TOWN AND PARISH AUDIT**

**RESOLVED** that an update to the audit was noted and officers to circulate all Councillors to ascertain if they have anything to be included in the Town and Parish Audit.

*The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.57 p.m.*

Councillor Val Mawhood  
CHAIRMAN

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