

Minutes of the Public Spaces Committee

Wednesday 28th January 2021, 9:30am

Present:

Cllr Thomas	Cllr Perkin	Cllr Williams
Cllr Saunders	C Oswald-Jones	A Andrews
A Peters (SBC)		

In Attendance:

L Bareham

89.	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from M Knowles (SBC) and A Blackburn (KCC)
90.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising Cllr Thomas proposed, seconded by Cllr Williams and on being put to the meeting it was <i>RESOLVED to accept the Minutes of the Public Spaces Committee Meeting dated 26th November 2020.</i>
91.	Faversham's HIP Updates on HIP items were noted. A Andrews to share latest version of the HIP. It was noted that Swale Borough Council will change the Central Car Park's water fountain drinking facility design so that it is water bottle refillable friendly. It was highlighted that the trees in Central Car Park need a regular pruning maintenance. Cllr Thomas will notify Swale Borough Council about this matter. The bollard to Back Lane was put on hold, pending review regarding access for deliveries made on foot.
92.	Cycling Cllr Saunders proposed, seconded by Cllr Thomas and on being put to the meeting it was <i>RESOLVED to accept the proposal of developing a cycle engagement plan within the Public Spaces Committee.</i>
93.	Planters It was noted that further research is required to discover what the maintenance service entails, the durability of the planter, and confirmation on the final costing. It was highlighted that Amethyst is a local business, but further information regarding the planter design needs investigating.

	<p>A Andrews will contact both GeViews and Amethyst.</p> <p>It was noted by Cllr Williams that it would be worth asking both organisations if they could provide peat-free compost, to help support the climate.</p>
94.	<p>Bollards</p> <p>It was noted that the dropped down bollards would not cause any issue for emergency vehicles, since West Street isn't a recognized emergency escape route. To be effective it needs to be on the pavement towards the end of West Street.</p> <p>It was agreed that further information and evidence needed to be collected to see how many vehicles are using West Street to enter or exit Town Centre.</p>
95.	<p>Bench at Westbrook Stream</p> <p>The survey collated was reviewed by members present. It was noted that residents of the Westbrook Stream preference was option 3, overlooking Tanners Street. The Clerk confirmed that funding had been received from Cllr Jackson's SBC Members' Grant.</p> <p>Cllr Thomas proposed, seconded by Cllr Saunders and on being put to the meeting it was <i>RESOLVED to agree Option 3 (Tanners St) position for the new bench at Westbrook Stream.</i></p>
96.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>None</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 10.52</p>
	<p>Minutes typed by B Williams</p>