



Minutes of the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting held on Thursday 17 December 2019 in the George and Dragon Hotel, Dent

Present: Juliet Hoggar, Geoff Woof, Gary Seekins, Emma Richardson, Scott Thornley

To be presented at the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting on Thursday 20 February 2020

AE15	/19	Welcome: Everyone was welcomed to the meeting.	
AE16	/19	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept apologies from Councillor Mitchell.	
AE17	/19	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare.	
AE18	/19	Minutes of the meeting on 19 September 2019: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on 19 September 2019 were a correct record and a copy was duly signed by the chair.	
AE19	/19	Current outstanding issues: Play Area Fence – Work was due to start in December but had been delayed due to an issue with the contractor. Work will now start on 6 th January and last for approximately 3 days. Signs at Dent Head – Ryan Braithwaite has been off sick for 2 months and we have had no response from his manager Mo Dooz. This will now form part of the discussions with Karl Melville on 6 th January. Bridges – Barth Bridge will now not be completed until Spring despite promises that it would be done in September. This will also be included in discussions with Karl Melville. CCTV Cameras – We have recently been informed that our bid for funding from the PCC has been unsuccessful. Police have however, been in contact with the George and Dragon to discuss placement of a camera there. Parking at Beech Hill – Agreed that this continues to be an issue. The original planning application was circulated and it does not say anything about the size or colour of the signs. RESOLVED to recommend to council that the signs are replaced with clearer signs and better wording (to be agreed). The shop should be asked to place a letter from the council on any vehicles parking in the shop spaces but not using the shop and a short letter should be sent reminding all residents in the area. Beech Hill Gardens – Sue Cox is willing to continue with the maintenance of the gardens and the Clerk will discuss in more detail when she is next in Dent.	
AE20	/19	New Issues: Millthorp Bridge – It was noted that this item will be included in discussions with Karl Melville on 6 th January. The following points were noted and should be included in our discussions: a) A timescale should be known so that local farmers and businesses can plan for disruption. b) The work should be done as early as possible to minimise the impact on tourist season. c) Need to ensure that Barbondale and Millthorp are in a fit state to accept the increase in traffic. d) The B4RN core network runs along the verge in Barbondale and may suffer damage from the amount and size of traffic. e) Closure notices should be received in good time with advance notice. f) Can the bridge be widened and strengthened in any way? g) Should the other parapet be rebuilt and/or strengthened at the same time? h) New signs should be considered to prevent a recurrence of this accident. Bench Near Gym – The original bench was made by Colin Gardner and he should be asked if he wishes to repair it. Councillor Richardson will ask. Memorial Tree Request – RESOLVED to not allow this request as the Parish Council has no suitable land. The Clerk will make enquiries of the Allotment Committee to see if they	

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		<p>would be interested in this request. RESOLVED that there should be no plaque allowed if a tree is planted anywhere.</p> <p>Green Initiatives – It was questioned whether the council was doing anything to promote green initiatives. The Car Park Committee is currently discussing the installation of Electric Vehicle charging points and increased recycling facilities on the car park. Other suggestions included solar panels on the toilet block roof and offering compost bins but these were not feasible currently.</p> <p>YDNPA Local Plan Consultation – The first consultation was received and circulated. Councillors were notified that they can respond individually and that the council should respond as a body as well.</p> <p>BT Telephone Boxes – The council has owned these for two years now and something should be done with them. Suggestions included a Tourist Information Centre, Defibrillators, a commercial operation of some kind and allowing the school to use it for a project.</p> <p>RESOLVED to first approach the First Responders to find out if a further defibrillator would be useful near Greenwell.</p> <p>Library Link – A note had been received regarding the library situated in the Reading Room. The room is very cold and is not suitable for people to sit in to operate the library. Halogen heaters are not allowed in the room due to the fire hazard. Suggest that the library is left unmanned or oil filled heaters are used instead. Councillor Dalton requested that a written update from the meeting with Karl Melville be circulated to all councillors before the next full council meeting.</p>	
<p>AE14</p>	<p>/19</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Thursday 20 February 2020 in the Sedgwick Room, Dent.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.45pm</p>	

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