



Minutes of the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting held on Thursday 20 February 2020 in the George and Dragon Hotel, Dent

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

To be presented at the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting on Monday 20 April 2020

AE22	/19	Welcome: Everyone was welcomed to the meeting.	
AE23	/19	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED that there were no apologies as everyone was present.	
AE24	/19	Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED that there were no interests to declare.	
AE25	/19	Minutes of the meeting on 17 December 2019: RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting on 17 December 2019 were a correct record and a copy was duly signed by the chair.	
AE26	/19	<p>Current outstanding issues:</p> <p>Highways and Bridges – It was noted that there had still not been a completely satisfactory response or a date for a meeting from Karl Melville despite having chased this up. It was RESOLVED to give Karl one last chance to respond before escalating the issues to his manager.</p> <p>It was also noted that a blocked culvert was causing problems between Bridge End and Dent Head Viaduct. This had been reported before Christmas but was still not resolved.</p> <p>Also, the potholes were starting to open up again over Barbondale due to the wet weather.</p> <p>Bench near Gym – It was reported that John Hyde may know someone who can help with repairs to this bench for the cost of materials only. RESOLVED that John Hyde would follow this up.</p> <p>BT Phone Boxes – It was noted that the First Responders had welcomed the idea of another defibrillator in the BT Phone Box near Greenwell. The clerk reported the cost as £1285 + VAT for the defibrillator and cabinet. It was questioned how many houses this would serve but it was felt that there was no provision on that side of the dale. It was noted that the LIPS Grant Funding had re-opened and it may be possible to get a grant for this. RESOLVED to make an application to the LIPS fund but also to encourage Deepdale residents to join First Responders and to possibly arrange defibrillator training at the Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p>Beech Hill Parking – The clerk presented two signs and two letters as had been requested at the previous meeting. RESOLVED to use the letters as is and these should be sent to residents and the shop as soon as possible.</p> <p>Minor adjustments were made to the signs and it was RESOLVED to order these at a cost of around £100.</p>	
AE27	/19	<p>New Issues:</p> <p>Meditation Centre – Laura Fletcher had been invited to the meeting to inform the committee further about her concerns surrounding the management of the meditation centre. Laura gave a brief background to the problems which had been ongoing for around 7 years. The management of the centre was now outside the control of the village which had never been the intention when the centre was set up, however there was one parish councillor on the board of trustees.</p> <p>Concerns were raised surrounding the use of the centre by local residents as the centre had been locked during the day between courses. However Laura did advise that she had just received word that she would be allowed to teach yoga to pupils from Dent School again. Laura asked for support to bring the centre back into use for the village as was originally intended.</p> <p>RESOLVED to ask Councillor Dalton to give an update on his understanding of the purpose and operation of the centre as well as the criteria for taking bookings. The Clerk would send Councillor Dalton the notes offered by Laura Fletcher. Councillor Dalton will be asked to update the committee by email as soon as possible.</p>	

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		<p>Yorkshire Devolution Movement – The clerk presented a letter received from the Yorkshire Devolution Movement regarding historic boundaries. RESOLVED that this letter be circulated to all councillors for consideration.</p> <p>Postbox at Deepdale – Councillor Mitchell has received several complaints about the condition of the disused postbox at Deepdale and how it looks out of place. RESOLVED to get a picture of the box and to find out whether it is still owned by the Post Office before taking any further action.</p>	
AE28	/19	<p>Date of Next Meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Monday 20 April 2020 in the Sedgwick Room, Dent.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.21 pm</p>	

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