



**Minutes of the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 20 July 2020 via Zoom Video Conference**

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

*To be presented at the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting on Monday 23 November 2020*

AE36	/20	<p><b>Apologies for absence:</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> to accept apologies and record the reason from Gary Seekins.</p>	
AE37	/20	<p><b>Declarations of interest:</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that there were no interests to declare.</p>	
AE38	/20	<p><b>Minutes of the meeting on Monday 20 April 2020:</b>  <b>RESOLVED</b> that the minutes of the meeting on Monday 20 April 2020 were a correct record and a copy will be signed by the Chair when safe to do so.</p>	
AE39	/20	<p><b>Current Outstanding Issues:</b>  <u>Meditation Centre</u> – It was noted that there had been no further communication from the Centre regarding the complaints raised, however, they had been advised that it was on the agenda for this evening. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Parish Council does not wish to get involved in this any further and so both parties will be advised in writing that this is the case. It was noted that the council would like to see any vacancies on the committee of the centre advertised locally and this will be included in the letter to the centre.  <u>Highways and Bridges</u> – It was noted that there had still been no response from Karl Melville and that no further updates had been received. It was suggested that we now escalate this to Philip Greenup, however it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to give Karl until 24 July to respond before doing this.  It was suggested that the works to both Barth Bridge and Stonehouse Bridge need to be completed ASAP as neither required in river works. However, it was noted that the planning application for Barth Bridge had not been submitted and that it would likely be Spring 2021 before this work could go ahead, given that Lime Mortar was likely to be required.  <u>Bench near Gym</u> – The Clerk noted that Jeff Clegg had advised that work had been put on hold due to the pandemic and that it would commence as soon as Jeff was able to do so.  <u>Beech Hill Parking</u> – It was noted that the new signs seemed to be working and that the shop spaces were generally respected. One complaint had been received that the signs do not look good but the old wooden ones had required replacing with something more durable.</p>	

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		<p><u>Postbox at Deepdale</u> – It was noted that nothing had been done with this since the last meeting when Cllr Mitchell had provided photographs. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the council write to Royal Mail to ask them to make the box look a little better than it does currently.</p>	
<p><b>AE40</b></p>	<p><b>/20</b></p>	<p><b>New Issues:</b> <u>Footway Light at Sepia Barn</u> – The footway light had been removed by the new owner of Sepia Barn and he has stated that he does not wish for it to be put back. It was suggested that alternative locations could be the Memorial Hall or Bamford Cottage. It was further suggested that a brand new light could be purchased. <b>RESOLVED</b> to write to the Memorial Hall Committee and Catherine Hartley regarding installation on their buildings and to price a new light. It was also suggested that YDNPA may need to give permission for the relocation and Cllr Mitchell will contact them to check. <u>Phone Boxes</u> – The two phone boxes adopted by the council some 18 months ago are in poor condition and require some maintenance. It was suggested that we go out to tender to obtain quotes for this work and to ask Ken McClurg to strim around the box at Greenwell to tidy up in the meantime. <b>RESOLVED</b> to tender for this work as soon as possible but that the work may need to be done in Spring 2021. <u>Verge Maintenance</u> – No tenders had been received for this work which was disappointing. It was noted that Robert Hodgson had not been asked to tender as he did not hold the qualifications required to satisfy Cumbria County Council. It was suggested that no other contractor will take the care to do the job properly that Robert Hodgson has done for the last 3 years. It was suggested that the council could pay for Robert Hodgson or one of his operatives to do the relevant training depending on the cost involved and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to speak to Robert about this as well as to make contact with further companies who may be able to do the work. <u>A Pennine Journey</u> – Consideration was given to a request from the Pennine Journey Supporters Club regarding the Pennine Journey walk, and its campaign to become a national trail. The committee recognised the benefits of this campaign and <b>RESOLVED</b> to write a letter in support of the campaign.</p>	

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		<p><u>Rose Gardens at Beech Hill</u> – Sue Cox has once again done a great job of making this area look great and it was suggested that a small token of appreciation for her work over the past years be purchased. <b>RESOLVED</b> to provide Sue with a voucher for £20 redeemable at any local establishment.</p> <p><u>Noticeboard at Gawthrop</u> – Since the sale of the small barn and the loss of the door to pin notices up, Gawthrop has been without a source of information. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to speak to the new owner of the small barn to see if they would allow notices to go back up and to look into the price of a new board, perhaps to sit under the Gawthrop road sign.</p>	
<b>AE41</b>	<b>/20</b>	<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b> <b>RESOLVED</b> that the next meeting will be on Monday 23 November 2020, unless an urgent meeting is required in the interim.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 20.34</p>	

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