



Minutes of the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting held on Tuesday 01 November 2022 in the Methodist Chapel School Room, Dent

Present: Emma Richardson (Chair), Geoff Woof, Samantha Taylor and Gary Seekins

1 member of the public

To be presented at the Amenities and Environment Committee meeting on Monday 06 February 2023

AE126	/22	Apologies for absence: RESOLVED to accept the apologies from Cllr. Thornley	
AE127	/22	Declarations of Interest: There were no interests to declare.	
AE128	/22	Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED to agree the minutes of the meeting on Monday 11 July 2022 as a correct record and a copy was signed by the Chair. Noted that North Yorks. County Council have been back out to make further repairs at Dent Head/Newby Bridge.	
AE129	/22	Public Forum: The member of the public in attendance had attended to speak regarding item 5a on the agenda and so it was RESOLVED to move straight to that item.	
AE130	/22	Beech Hill Gardens: A brief history of the gardens was given. It was noted that the gardens were in need of some attention with regard to the seating areas as they were not very inviting currently. It was noted that teenagers have nowhere to gather and a number of ideas were discussed to make the area a more social space. It was suggested that the area could be transformed with the removal of the current stone walls and three circular areas being created, one of which could perhaps be covered so it could be used in inclement weather. It was RESOLVED that the committee would look into the possibilities for the area and maybe engage a landscape architect to come up with plans.	
AE131	/22	Highways and Bridges: The Clerk went through the latest updates from the meeting with Karl Melville that morning. It was noted that in addition to standing water at Millwood, there was now a problem at Mire Garth which would require urgent attention.	
AE132	/22	Footway Lighting: The clerk advised that one light had now been erected at Meadowside Café. The other three modern lights were awaiting ENWL to disconnect the current lights before installation can take place. Two heritage lights had been ordered and will be delivered by 06 December. The Clerk noted that he had been in contact with the Sustainable Development Officer at YDNPA who had encouraged an application for grant funding to complete the project and that an application would be sent shortly.	

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AE133	/22	Defibrillator at Deepdale: The defibrillator and cabinet had now been installed and was operational.	
AE134	/22	Winter Signage: Plans received from Cumbria County Council for the installation of two smaller signs were received and it was noted that these may already have been installed. RESOLVED to check the current position but that agreement to the installation would be given.	
AE135	/22	Seat outside Reading Room: Noted that we are currently awaiting an agreement from Cumbria County Council before installation of a bench can go ahead.	
AE136	/22	Verge Maintenance: It was noted that some areas of hedges which were considered “no mans land” had not been cut and would need doing next year. It was also noted that some areas require the edges of the verge to be cut back as they had been allowed to encroach on to the highway for a number of years. RESOLVED that Cllr. Woof will identify the areas in question and report back.	
AE137	/22	Date of next meeting: RESOLVED that the next meeting will be on Monday 06 February 2023 at The Sedgwick Room, Dent. Meeting closed at 20.16	

Action List

Report standing water at Mire Garth to highways	ST
Check Winter Signage at Deepdale	ST
Identify areas of hedge that need cutting	GW

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