

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON FRIDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2016 AT 10.00AM

PRESENT	Councillor Robert Jenkins (Chairman) Councillor Peter Clements Councillor Carl Powling Councillor Eric Straughan Councillor Sylvia Wargent Councillor Sophie Weaver Mr Ian Crossley Ms Paula Moore Mrs Lesley Mullins
IN ATTENDANCE	David Tucker, Town Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence received.

2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2016 AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2016 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Proposed: Councillor Straughan, Seconded: Councillor Powling.

Matters arising: There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

3. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REPORTS ON TASK TRACKER TOPICS

See form attached.

4. PROGRESS REPORTS ON:

Refresh Mersea - Mrs Mullins reported that Neil Mortimer was helping with the refurbishment of the Sensory Garden at the corner of Barfield Road.

Agapanthus plants were to be planted on Glebe Corner, and the High Street planting would be undertaken in mid May 2016.

The decision to plant an additional 6 trees on Glebe Corner had now been rescinded.

Mr Crossley advised that the Woodland Trust would help with the new tree planting, Colchester Road (Glebe hedge).

The Clerk advised that a new (additional) gate had now been installed in School Gardens.

White Hart - The Clerk advised that the application to list the White Hart as a Community Asset had now been completed and submitted to Colchester Borough Council.

Blue Plaque Scheme - Councillor Jenkins asked for suggested sites to be emailed to him.

Oyster Close - The Clerk advised that quotes and details for the work required to convert the grassed area at the corner of Upland Road and Oyster Close had now been received and he would be preparing a planning application.

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Village Sign Refurbishment - It was noted that Borough Councillor Peter Sheane would be providing £1,400 via Colchester Borough Council, and Mersea Island Society were donating £500.

Clean for the Queen - See notes from Councillor Jenkins.

5. ARRANGEMENTS FOR PREPARATION OF AN EMERGENCY PLAN

The Clerk was asked to contact Colchester Borough Council to arrange a meeting with West Mersea Town Council representatives.

6. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Friday 1 April 2016 at 10.00am.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.15am.