

UCKFIELD TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of the **Environment and Leisure Committee** held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre on Tuesday 23rd April 2019 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr.J Beesley
Cllr. I. Smith
Cllr. S. Mayhew
Cllr. M. Dean

Cllr. D. French
Cllr. D. Ward
Cllrs. D. Bennett
Cllr. H. Firth

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr. C.Macve
1 Press recording

Christine Wheatley – Assistant Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer
Minutes taken by Christine Wheatley

1.0. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members and officers were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda. None were forthcoming.

2.0. STATEMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION

EL034.04.19 It was **RESOLVED** to suspend Standing Orders to allow Cllr. C. Macve to speak.

Councillor C. Macve wished to speak on item 7.1. Street Light Replacements. He questioned the location of the street light in London Road and wondered if its removal was justified?

EL035.04.19 It was **RESOLVED** to re-instate Standing Orders.

3.0. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

4.0. MINUTES

4.1. Minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Leisure Committee held on the 26th February 2019

EL036.04.19 It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Leisure Committee held on the 26th February 2019 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.2. Action list

Members considered the Action List that had been previously circulated and agreed to remove the following items which had either been completed or appeared elsewhere on the agenda:

Sports Working Group – Signage

To consider a report on the Civic Centre’s Events and Marketing programmes.

EL027.01.19 - Tikspac Dog Bag Dispenser Scheme – To approve advertising.

To consider the involvement of the Civic Centre in the Walkers recycling scheme with Terracycle.

4.3. Project Monitoring List – For information only

Members noted the Project Monitoring List.

5.0. FINANCE

5.1. To note bills paid

Members noted the bills paid.

5.2. Income and Expenditure Financial Forecast

Members noted the income and expenditure report.

6.0. ADMINISTRATION

6.1. Nothing to report at this time.

7.0. ENVIRONMENT

7.1. Street Lighting Replacements

Members considered a previously circulated report on the replacement of certain street lights following a structural test on the Town Councils steel & galvanized street columns. They also considered the removal of the street light opposite Lavender Cottage in London Road. The cost of the works is to be covered by CIL contributions and existing budgets.

EL037.04.19 It was **RESOLVED** to agree to the implementation of the new columns and the removal of the light in London Road. The new columns are to match existing columns in height.

7.2. Items for the Strengthening Local Relationship (SLR) Meeting on 1st July 2019

Members agreed that pot holes and kerbs were in a poor condition in certain parts of the town. Harcourt Road, Regency Close and the Southview/Downsview area, during the school development were given as examples. They asked that East Sussex County Council gave an update on their road re-surfacing etc. programme.

7.3. Biodegradable Dog Bag Dispensers Update- Press Release

Members noted the press release.

8.0. LEISURE

Nothing to report at this time.

9.0. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

9.1. Children Stay Safe Day

Members noted the report.

9.2. Speed Indication Device (SID)

Nothing to report at this time.

10.0. REPORTS FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

10.1. Uckfield Railway Line Parishes
Nothing to report.

10.2. West Park LNR and Hempstead Meadows LNR – Supporters Group
Members noted the AGM minutes.

10.3. Uckfield and District Twinning
Nothing to report.

10.4. Age Concern
Nothing to report.

10.5. Luxford Centre Management Committee
Members noted the report.

10.6. Active Uckfield Group
Nothing to report.

10.7. Wealden Bus Alliance
Nothing to report.

11.0 CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman wished to thank all Councillors for their support over the last year and wished those standing for re-election good luck and thanked those not returning for all their hard work.

12.0. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

EL.038.04.19 It was **RESOLVED** that pursuant to Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it was advisable in the public interest that the public be temporarily excluded and they were instructed to withdraw.

12.1. To consider a report on the Civic Centre's Events and Marketing programmes.
Members noted the reports and asked if advertising in a certain locally circulated publication was value for money and asked that paying for advertising on Facebook etc. could be investigated.

The meeting finished at 7.32pm