



**Minutes of the Meeting of the
Community & Environment Committee
Council Chamber, Bollington Town Hall
At 7.00pm on Tuesday 15th September 2021**

Those Present:

Members with voting rights:

Town Mayor; Cllr Johanna Maitland (JM)

Cllrs: Ken Edwards (KE), Mark Fern (MF), James Nicholas and Sara Knowles (SK).

Town Clerk: Julie Mason

Chair: Cllr Johanna Maitland

Public: One member of the public and Cllr J Weston (*left at 8.10 pm*).

Cllr J Weston wished to give the committee an opportunity to consider the purchase of one or maybe two mobile CCTV cameras for use around the town. He felt there was a drug problem in the town from feedback received and gave examples of shop lifting in certain retail outlets. The Town Council had the opportunity to assist the police with by giving access to more surveillance/intelligence. Cllr Weston had contacted a local business who supplied CCTV cameras and they had been due to attend this evening to explain the concept but sadly had been delayed due to traffic. One member of the public was a member of Transition Bollington and was available for comment if needed.

PCSO Alex Camenzuli & PCSO Scott Burdock, Pool PCSO for Macclesfield North and Poynton (*left at 7.40pm*)

The police attended to receive any questions and present their report. They also gave their view on the possibility of CCTV.

To receive and approve apologies for absence:

Cllr Roland Edwards due to annual leave.

To receive any Declarations of Interest:

None declared.

CE 59/21 To receive and confirm the minutes of the Community Services & Environment Committee meeting held 10th August 2021.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a correct record.

CE 60/21 To receive updates from the minutes.

CE49/21 Cllr K Edwards wished to raise the fact that he had been approached by a past Mayor for more planting to be carried out in the Sensory Gardens. The Council debated that it was an inappropriate time to plant and there needed a period for the plants to establish and grow. It was noted the bulbs had been planted that day.

Resolved no more planting would be carried out before the next year.

CE 61/21 To note the next meeting for Events Working Group was 20th September.

Accepted

CE 62/21 To receive the minutes from Bollington 2030 on 4th August 2021

The minutes were accepted by the committee, and it was noted the questionnaire response time had been extended.

CE 63/21 To receive an update on the Business, Economy & Tourism Working Group.

Cllr S Knowles noted the next meeting was scheduled for 16th September at 7pm.

CE 64/21 To receive an update on the Community Resilience Plan

Cllr SK reported she had arranged a meeting with the Environment Agency on the 24th September to discuss the water course pollution and to gain access to a water culvert map for Bollington. The water culvert map may not include all the culverts due to some being on private land.

The plan was close to completion and was due to be brought back to committee for approval, Cllr KE asked for the management to be reminded of their responsibilities.

CE 65/21 To receive a written report on the Fire Service and make recommendations.

The officer was on holiday, so no report had been submitted

CE 66/21 To receive a report from the from the PCSO on Police, Crime and Disorder

Resolved the report was discussed and accepted by the committee.

CE 67/21 To discuss the request to undertake repair works to Greg's Fountain, Bollington Cross

A local resident group had repaired the bench next to the fountain and wished the Council to support the repair work to Greg's fountain. The committee discuss the extensive cost this would incur and agreed they would consider it at budget setting. The Mayor asked the Clerk to update the group and thank them for their efforts.

CE 68/21 To discuss installing flood lighting at the Skate Park following a resident's request to Cllr J Weston.

Deferred

CE 69/21 To discuss the feasibility of installing CCTV after recent reports of drug problems within the town.

The Committee debated this proposal and even though it was a benefit in some areas there was a concern of the privacy aspects and the implications with liability and a confirmed need for CCTV.

Resolved Cllr J Weston would carry out a Privacy Impact Assessment and bring it back to the next committee meeting for consideration.

CE 70/21 To receive the Risk Assessment on changing the flag at the Town Hall and approve subsequent actions

It was agreed Cllr MF would investigate the issue and the matter would be brought back to the committee next time.

CE 71/21 To receive a verbal update from the Clerk on the luncheon club held at the Community Centre

Cllr A Williams and the Clerk had met the Chairman of the luncheon club and asked if they needed support. They were due to recommence the luncheon on Wednesday 3rd November, this would be the first time since Covid 19 lockdown. They were due to place an advert in our newsletter and were also appealing for volunteers.

The Committee hoped it would be a success.

CE 72/21 To consider the budget heading requests from the Community & Environment Committee

Continued floral displays and bulb planting

Resolved £2,000 plus VAT within the budget would be allocated to planting bulbs throughout the town.

It was agreed the locations would be agreed by Cllr JN and the Mayor and circulated for approval by the committee.

Toilets at the Recreation Ground

The report was considered by the committee, and it was agreed this would be a benefit to the community.

Resolved the committee would recommend £5,000 in the budget plus cleaning costs of £3,600 per annum.

Defibrillators

Cllr MF raised a concern that all the defibrillators were not being checked in the town.

The Clerk noted the pads were out of date at the TH and needed replacing.

Resolved the Clerk would locate the defibrillators in the town and check the processes were in place.

The committee discussed budget headings and it was agreed that members needed to ensure the figures and headings were agreed at the next meeting.

CE 73/21 To agree a plan for the remaining Covid 19 funds

Resolved it was agreed to allocate the funds to improving the Civic gardens.

It was agreed the Clerk would obtain a quote for works before the next meeting.

CE 74/21 It was noted the next meeting would be held at the Town Hall on the 13/10/21 @ 7pm.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm 8.45pm