



Burnham-on-Sea & Highbridge Town Council

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Town Projects Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 20th March 2019 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, The Old Courthouse, Jaycroft Road, Burnham-on-Sea

Present: Cllrs: Janet Keen (Vice Chairman), Peter Clayton, Phil Harvey, Nick Tolley. with Samantha Winter (Town Clerk) and Lorna Brewer (Admin Officer) in attendance.

1 member of press and 3 members of the public.

10/19/TPC **Apologies and Declarations of Interest:**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke, Cox and Lawson.

Cllr Weavell was absent from the meeting.

There were no declarations of interest or dispensations granted.

11/19/TPC **Action List**

The List was received and it was RESOLVED that outstanding actions would be put forward for consideration at the first meeting of the new Committee formed after the election in May.

12/19/TPC **Quarterly Town Vacancy Rates for January 2019**

Members NOTED and discussed the report by Springboard showing that the number of vacant town centre premises has continued to increase beyond regional and national levels.

13/19/TPC **Dog Waste Bag Dispensers**

Credit was given to the young person who had placed around the town dispensers made from recycled plastic bottles.

It was RESOLVED to purchase and install 5 commercial dispensers around the town, initially in the locations: Southwell Gardens, Apex Park, The Esplanade and at either end of Burnham High Street.

14/19/TPC **Installation of a dog waste bin**

It was RESOLVED to supply and install a dog waste bin at the location of the verge between Old Way Place onto Pepperall Road, Highbridge.

15/19/TPC **Replacement Town Flags**

It was RESOLVED to purchase 2 new flags.

Signed by Chairman Date

16/19/TPC Replacement noticeboard at B&M Car Park at a cost of £750
It was RESOLVED to proceed with the replacement of the noticeboard

17/19/TPC Waste bins obstructing the highway within Burnham-on-Sea
A discussion was held regarding the problem that enlargement/use of premises has encroached into areas previously used for bin storage and resulted in bins being moved onto the Highway where they create an obstruction. It was acknowledged that this situation was worsening and causing an eyesore and potential hygiene issue within the Town. It was identified that the storage of bins on the highway in Technical Street has resulted in delivery vehicles damaging a neighbouring property.

It was RESOLVED that the new Committee formed after the May elections will be asked to consider arranging a site visit with County Highways, Cllr Woodman, Somerset Waste Partnership, SDC Planning Enforcement and any other relevant body.

18/19/TPC The next meeting of the Committee will be Monday 10th June, 7pm, Council Chamber

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.50hrs.