

**ELLOUGHTON-CUM-BROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2014
AT THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICE, 60 WELTON ROAD, BROUGH**

Present: Councillors Credland, Davis, Mrs. Duckles, T. Galbraith (Chairman), Mrs. Galbraith and Ms. Rowe (Vice-Chairman)

Public Forum: Eco-Friends Lifestyle team, Team O'Mighty and Justine McMillan attended the meeting for item 5.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – Councillor Scaife

2. **TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT MEETING HELD ON 23 JULY 2014**

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Galbraith seconded by Councillor Davis and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on 23 July 2014 be signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

No declarations of interest received.

4. **ELLOUGHTON-CUM-BROUGH IN BLOOM**

Councillor T. Galbraith informed that Brough in Bloom are still awaiting the summer judging results. Their next meeting is to be held on 22nd September.

5. **LIFESTYLE**

Four Lifestyle teams had approached the Town Council informing of their projects, they are as follows:

5.1 **Eco-Friends**

Eco-Friends - Megan, Rosie and Lauren have spent the summer fundraising and raised enough money to purchase a new seat for Elloughton play park. The girls attended the meeting and presented the Chairman with a cheque for £418.23. Members thanked the girls for the donation and congratulated them on their achievement. A photo session followed for the Petuaria Press.

5.2 **Football Four Plus One**

The Team included Ethan, Aaron, Charlie, Will and Owen. The boys had spent the summer enhancing the towns' environment by working within the community. They worked alongside Brough in Bloom helping with painting and planting and also organised sporting activities for local children by way of a mini-olympics. The team undertook a litter-pick and raised awareness for dog walkers to pick up after their pets by spray painting stencils on the pavements as a reminder. They completed a survey of dog walkers and forwarded a copy of the results to the Town Council which was very informative.

5.3 **Team O'Mighty**

The Team; Ethan, Thomas, Harry and Thomas for the second year running, organised a one day skate park facility at Welton Primary School. The aim is to raise awareness to have a permanent skate park in the parish. The event was extremely well supported which demonstrates the demand for the facility. The boys also undertook a survey on the costs and management styles of existing skate parks within the East Riding. The boys

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attended the meeting and photographs were taken of the team for inclusion in the Petuaria Press.

5.4 **The 3 Diamonds**

The 3 Diamonds; Alice, Rebecca and Grace raised £170 for the Hull Animal Welfare Trust by selling donated jewellery on stalls at various events and car boot sales. They also collected an estimated £250 worth of dog and cat food, along with empty ink cartridges, mobile phones and bags of cleaning materials. They have also installed 4 poo bag stations around the area for people who have forgotten their bags and ask that these are replaced the next time the dog owner walks past. Members were particularly impressed with this idea and if proven successful will look to expanding the scheme to other areas.

6. **FOOTPATHS**

Members reported of overgrown foliage onto the pavement on Welton Low Road, also along the snicket alongside the beck at Myrtle Way, so much so that access is restricted. Deputy Clerk to report to ERYC.

7. **PLAY AREAS**

Repairs to the play area surface have now been undertaken. The quarterly inspections are to be undertaken at any time.

8. **STREET FURNITURE**

The Clerk undertook a comprehensive survey of all street furniture and copies of the results were circulated at the meeting.

Following the survey, it was proposed that an amount be set aside for annual maintenance work to street furniture and it was agreed unanimously that £500 be included in the budget for such works to be carried out as and when necessary.

Following discussion it was agreed unanimously that all wooden street furniture be treated with wood preserve in the future. However, some seats have been painted green and it was felt that these look out of character within the environment, in view of this, it was also agreed unanimously that these seats be painted brown to blend in with the existing street furniture and the Town Council will carry out any necessary maintenance on street furniture in the future.

8.1 **Litterbins**

All the litter bins looked fine, apart from one on Skillings Lane, previously donated by a local organisation. The Clerk has contacted the company involved to see if they would like to replace it.

Alan Coultish is to relocate 3 litter bins as agreed.

8.2 **Notice Boards**

The new notice boards have been received and Alan Coultish is to install these sometime in September at the following sites; Centurion Way/Welton Road junction, wall mounted one at Main Street opposite the Half Moon and Welton Low Road at the layby.

The notice boards on Elloughton Thorpe Way and Skillings Lane are in need of wood preservative treatment.

8.3 Seats

The seat at the Haven has a metal frame surround which is in need of painting. Two seats need foliage cutting back and treating on Main Street and Welton Low Road.

All the old concrete/wood seats to be inspected and any necessary maintenance work to be carried out.

9. OPEN SPACES

9.1 HPFA Membership

It was agreed to join at a cost of £20 per annum.

9.2 Green at Half Moon

It was agreed unanimously that Alan Coultish reinstate the turf at the green opposite the Half Moon.

9.3 War Memorial

It was reported that the War Memorial was in need of weeding, however this has now been done. It was agreed unanimously that this be added to Alan's general maintenance schedule.

The chain to the front of the war memorial is to be removed as recommended by ERYC.

9.4 Village Hall Tarmac

A request was received to have the weeds sprayed again at the Village Hall along the tarmac. It was agreed unanimously that this be added to Alan's general maintenance schedule.

9.5 Brough Haven

The gate volunteers reported issues with overnight parking. A response from ERYC was noted.

10. VILLAGE ENVIRONMENT BUDGETS 2014/15 – It was agreed unanimously to approve the budget including additional maintenance works for Alan Coultish.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 15 October 2014