

LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT notes – from meeting held on Thursday 28th April 2022 at 6.30pm.

AGENDA

Item	Subject	Details
1	Present	<p>Cllrs Bradbury, Rowan-Robinson and Sutton. 1 member of the public, 1 person on Zoom, and the Town Clerk.</p> <p>Due to a lack of quorum, it was agreed that this would be a working group meeting to catch up on projects that are already taking place.</p> <p>Cllr Beavan arrived at 6.40pm.</p>
2	Apologies and Declarations of Interest	<p>Apologies were received from Cllrs Goldsmith and Jordan.</p>
3	Minutes of previous meeting	<p>To note the minutes of the previous meeting. Noted.</p>
	Standing Orders- public section.	<p>Member of the public spoke about the community skatepark group of which they were the organiser. A community engagement event had taken place at the Klondyke with over 100 attendees. 95 responses to a consultation had been received on the day. 340 names on a petition. Those present ranged from Toddlers through to adults. Ashley Lever from Smash Skates had attended. Bank Account has now been set up by the community group to enable them to accept pledges. Lions/Rotary/ESC – have in total pledged £20k. Southwold Trust is interested to give pledge/ donation.</p> <p>Action – clerk to look up dates for gallopers coming and advise community group of date when they are not there during the school holidays in order for group to organise “Skate Jam”. Klondyke = name of fishing companies. Get copy of book of the history of the area as in book from Bob Jellicoe. Overall cost of a new skate facility = £100k. Note – Town Council to own and retain the facility. Prime users = for 8 – 15 year old. New facility will be inclusive and keeping the basketball area. Action list to be prepared in draft and sent to the community group for whom Trevor Clifford will be the accountant.</p> <p>Cllr Beavan advised that Beach Committee is meeting tomorrow at 1pm at the Town Hall and will take a walk round the prom after. Need prom shower. Need beach warden and perhaps somewhere to hire windbreaks/chairs etc.</p> <p>Cllr Rowan-Robinson – denes beach has had negative publicity about water quality. However, this is ‘satisfactory’ but press stories were not complimentary. Cllr Beavan – water quality will be assessed on the pier and the denes water. Will never get blue flag at denes but will get one back at the pier. Cllr Sutton asked about rabbits along the prom as they appear to be causing damage.</p> <p>Cllr Beavan left at 7pm</p>

5	Environmental matters – timelines and completion dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ferry Road garden — Cllr Goldsmith to update at future meeting. • Horse Chestnut saplings –DB to update at future meeting. • Climate projects/ Tree plantings – See Cllr Windell update to Annual Parish meeting. • ESC Flower bed along North Parade – Robert is looking into supplying some red/white/blue geraniums for jubilee. • Hemlock treatment – Vertas doing as per schedule. • Marshes management – Blackshore sluice = an issue. Management is now not likely to be possible by SWT due to rights of the tenant. Cllr Rowan-Robinson advised that SWT would be interested in taking on the marshes still and this could be borne in mind for the future. Sluice at Blackshore – water levels/boards – Cllr Rowan-Robinson is checking. There was a problem reported of salt water coming in from the harbour onto the marsh. Sluice is owned by the Environment Agency from whom we are waiting an inspection. But the tenant has now got it working. Management of water levels on the marshes = duty of Mr tenant but new boards have been put in by a third party and this matter needs to be resolved. Cllr Rowan-Robinson – water levels presently seem to be too high on the marsh due to the boards issue above.
6	Leisure and Other matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skatepark open day – update as above. • Queens Platinum Jubilee – June 2022 – Beating the Bounds – Cllr Rowan-Robinson and Cllr Sutton will come along. Programme being prepared detailing all the community events taking place. • Charter Fayre/ Civic Sunday arrangements – Charter Fair opening will be 5pm on 27th May. Civic Parade will be on 29th May – to assemble at Town Hall at 10.30am. • Finger post - location at Fieldstile Road for one signposting to school/ /Arts Centre/Library – licence to be obtained from SCC.
7	Date of next meeting	Tbc

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