

Leisure and Environment Committee noted from meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 9am at the Town Hall.

REP L and E 5/2024

Item	Subject	Details
1	Present	<p>Cllrs Goldsmith (PG), Miller (JM) and Wells (MW).</p> <p>MEETING NOT QUORATE. Discussion only.</p> <p>Also present the Town Clerk.</p>
2	Apologies and Declarations of Interest	<p>There were apologies for absence from Cllr Flunder, Cllr Palmer and Cllr Redington.</p>
3	Minutes of the previous meeting	<p>To note the minutes of the previous meeting - notes from 31st July 2024. All agreed.</p>
4	Standing Orders- public section.	
5	Environmental matters – timelines and completion dates	<p><i>Ferry Road Garden and surrounds</i> – The notice board has been erected and looks v good. PG has a list of additional shrubs from Louis Champaign which could go in the garden at a future date depending on budget.</p> <p>The concrete within the garden has bits missing – and Louis is dealing.</p> <p><i>Connection of Jubilee Bridge to Ferry Rd Garden.</i> Funding has been awarded from Suffolk Coast and Heaths. James Mellish to continue with the project.</p> <p><i>Bulbs – ESC initiative</i> – STC has been successful in their bid for some bulbs – await date for collection.</p> <p>These are to go in Ferry Road Garden and Electricity Green, or in Tubs in courtyard of Station Road or in the shrub borders.</p> <p><i>Land registration</i> – It was agreed by all to recommend that STC register the land next to the Ferry Rd Garden at HMLR.</p>
6	Leisure and Other matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Community Payback</i> – Are painting the railings along the seafront. STC is giving them access to the Kilcock toilets on the days that they are working. Work programme for future jobs - consider at the next meeting, and could include clearing some of the land next to Ferry Road garden. • <i>Community self-help scheme</i> – the Town Clerk explained the process to get people trained and insured by SCC. The STC Estates officer and Cllr M Wells are being trained in October. • <i>Fingerpost for Field Stile Road</i> – The finger has now arrived. Debate continues with Assets at ESC about the annual fee. It was suggested that request be sent to ESC Ward Cllr Beavan to ask if he could endorse the STC request to have a licence at Nil cost. (subsequently agreed by ESC.) • <i>Public wi fi project</i> – the grant monies have paid for the initial programming work for an extension of the ESC free wi fi to cover the Gun Hill area. Await updates.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Play area repairs</i> – Rospa reports are expected. Automatic access to town and parish councils to have the ESC monthly reports is being investigated by ESC, as presently they are sent several months after they have been undertaken. Repairs are up to date as at end August 2024. • <i>Town Sign repairs</i> – still having some difficulty in finding a carpenter who would be able to repair the existing sign due to its condition. One quote has been received for £5500 - £7k. Hosley Bay, who repaired it previously, might be an option – Estates Officer is in touch with them via Menta. If the costs to repair are significant a new sign might be required – in which case STC will need to consider further – i.e. design/ budget etc. • <i>Electricity Green</i> - Some tidying will take place as part of Spruce Up Southwold day on 13th October. • <i>Klondyke</i> - 'Box Up' unit has been requested for Klondyke plus some monies for seeding and shrubs. ESC Community Partnership has funding which might be available for this project. £1k to be requested. • <i>Keeping Southwold looking tidy</i> – sustainable solutions are needed for areas throughout the town, working alongside other authorities, volunteers etc – this work to include footpaths. • <i>Benches</i> – 2 along Ferry Road footpath are in need of replacement. SCC Cllr M Ladd has offered funds to assist with replacement of one of them. L & E budget to cover the cost of replacement of the other. Agreed to recommend. • <i>Flag Pole</i> – St James Green. ESC assets do not believe that they own the flag pole – clerk has queried this as they own the green. None of the assets upon the green are on the STC asset list (Seats, cannons, flag pole). • <i>CCTV</i> - is being progressed by the landlords cttee.
7	To consider	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tidy Up Southwold Day – 13th October 2024 10am – midday.</i> The volunteer who does work at Electricity Green will lead a group to cut back some of the shrubs there. An additional seat could be purchased for this area. Cttee to consider at next meeting. Discussion about how to get the holiday homes to make sure that the areas around their properties are kept tidy – PG will take this back to Durrants, JM will contact Suffolk Secrets/ Best of Suffolk. • <i>Mine along North Parade</i> – Is in need of repair – ownership to be ascertained (subsequently confirmed as ESC) Graham Murray has another mine which could also go out somewhere along the seafront – permission from ESC to be sought. Condition of the mine to be established. • <i>VE Day 80th Anniversary – 8th May 2025.</i> Discussion took place about a potential event – could the church do tea/cakes/sandwiches, light picnic. Music in church? Use Bartholomew Green if the weather is ok? Contact vicar to discuss further. • <i>Potential for Southwold Half Marathon</i> - route has been sent to STC, Walberswick P C and ESC for comment. The cttee have made several comments and the route has

		<p>been changed to avoid Potters Bridge. Other comments made about use of roads in Southwold and how runners will gain access to eth finish line along North Parade.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Potential for a Circus 2025</i> – request has been received and further information is being sought. • <i>Meeting with SCC grounds, and ESC grounds and assets</i> – the staff have met with both authorities to gather information about cutting schedules, maintenance timings etc.
8	Date of next meeting	TBC

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