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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LEISURE, FORESHORE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD AT 7.30PM ON THURSDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2013 AT THE LEIGH COMMUNITY CENTRE,
71-73 ELM ROAD, LEIGH-ON-SEA

Present Cllrs: Carole Mulrone (Chairman), Geoff Crawford (until Min 36d), Donald Fraser, Pat Holden, Paul Lawrence, Caroline Parker and Patsy Ryan

In attendance: Cllr Richard Herbert (until Min 36d), Paul Beckerson (Town Clerk)

The meeting opened at 7.35pm

30. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Cliff Passmore, David Stanley and John Wren

32. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTEREST

There were none.

33. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18TH JULY 2013

The minutes of 18th July 2013 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

34. MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SUB-COMMITTEE 30th JULY 2013 (Appendix 1 to the Agenda)

The minutes were **noted**

35. ALTERATION TO ORDER OF AGENDA

It was **agreed** to take agenda items 6a, 6f, 6g and 6h first and then the rest as per the agenda.

36. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a) Future Projects

Members were advised that S&TPSC would be considering projects over the next two months and they were asked to bring forward suggestions for their wards; initially to the Workshop discussion at 7.30pm on Thursday 3rd October 2013.

One possible project for consideration was the development of the basketball area in the Skate Park to a streetscape for younger skaters.

b) Strand Wharf Working Party 18th September 2013

The Chairman reported on the site visit to the Garrison development in Shoeburyness, taken to evaluate the pavements in the conservation area for possible use in the Strand

Wharf Project. A general discussion ensued including discussion of an alternative suggestion of levelling and treating the existing concrete.

When the fully costed proposal was put to S&TPSC it was **agreed** that the maintenance costs must form part of the proposal.

A proposal was put to the meeting "That the architect be asked to progress a scheme using the clay pavements used at the 'Garrison' and submit a final costing to the next meeting (17th October 2013) for consideration and recommendation to S&TPSC." Proposed by Cllr Carole Mulroney, Seconded by Cllr Geoff Crawford.

An amendment was put "That an alternative cost be obtained for levelling and scouring the existing concrete surface". Proposed by Cllr Paul Lawrence, Seconded by Cllr Pat Holden.

On being put to the vote the amendment was **lost**.

The original motion was **RESOLVED** by the Committee. **That the architect be asked to progress a scheme using the clay pavements used at the 'Garrison' and submit a final costing to the next meeting (17th October 2013) of the Committee for approval.**

c) Flower Baskets – Cllr Pat Holden reported

It was reported that the cost for 2014/15 would be £5,650 (87 x £63.22 per basket) if the same amount of baskets were deployed.

Redeployment of Baskets:

- 6 to be redeployed from New Road leaving 3 in the area of the New Methodist Chapel
- 2 to be redeployed from Leigh Hill
- 4 to be redeployed from Elm Road north of Pall Mall
- 22 to be redeployed from Glendale Gardens

Suggested new positions:

- 11 London Road – Highlands North
- 14 London Road – Highlands South
- 7 London Road – Elms North

There was a request for baskets in Leigh Road, (up to 12) if this could be accommodated from the existing number of baskets. Cllrs Pat Holden and Richard Herbert would look into the possibility of reducing the number in London Road to allow this and report back to the next meeting.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to increase the budget allocation to £6,000 to allow for brackets etc.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to add any baskets the LCC Committee wanted for the front elevation of the Community Centre to the contract provided they were funded by that Committee.

d) Essex Yacht Club, Letter of Support (Appendix 2 to the Agenda)

The Committee **RESOLVED** to provide the letter of support as requested.

Cllrs Geoff Crawford and Richard Herbert left the meeting.

e) Events Working Party – 19th July and 19th September 2013

Leigh Lights – Cllr Pat Holden reported that stalls and fees had been agreed and that the entertainment was due to be progressed next.

f) Skate Park Repair

Members were informed that the repairs to the damaged play surface had been completed.

g) CCTV in Old Town

The possibility of the reinstatement of a CCTV camera on Bell Wharf was being pursued.

h) Old Town Telephone Box Sponsorship

Cllr Pat Holden undertook to speak to the proposed sponsor.

i) Dog Control in Leigh Library Gardens

The Chairman reported that the Order in relation to the Library Gardens was in force and required dogs to be kept on leads. However, the signage advising dog walkers of this was not prominent and not at all entrances. The Borough Council would be increasing the signage shortly.

j) SBC Streetscape Supplementary Planning Document 3

Cllr Pat Holden reported that the agreed comments had been submitted on-line and that a copy of the responses would be deposited with the office.

37. BUDGETS 2012/13 – Report 2259 (Appendix 3 to the Agenda)

The committee **RESOLVED** to purchase two megaphones with corded microphones from the Events Equipment Budget. The report was **noted**

The meeting closed at 8.52pm