BROADSTAIRS & ST PETER'S TOWN COUNCIL

Broadstairs & St Peter's Town Council

ALLOTMENTS AND LAND SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday 30th October 2017

Present:

Cllrs. J. Bayford, Matterface and M. Saunders

Ex-Officio: Cllrs. D. Saunders and Binks

Town Clerk: Danielle Dunn

Administrators: Christine Chappell and Abigail Barton

General Public: Allotment Tenants from Norman Road and Nash Gardens/Prospect

Road

Minutes marked * require a resolution from the Finance and General Purposes Committee

229 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED unanimously that Cllr. Matterface be elected as Chairman of the Committee and that Cllr. J. Bayford be elected as Vice Chairman of the Committee.

230 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Buckley.

231 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Matterface continued to declare an interest, as per form dated 20th March 2017, in Agenda Item 6 – Culmer's Amenity Land, being a Trustee of CT10 Charities.

232 MINUTES

RESOLVED to receive and approve the minutes of the meeting of 20th March 2017.

233 NORMAN ROAD AND NASH GARDENS/PROSPECT ROAD ALLOTMENTS

RECEIVED an oral up-date on allotment matters.

Both sites have increased the number of plots by 1, with the division of larger plots. Waiting lists are in excess 20 people, with person at the top putting their name down in September 2015. 15 people are on both lists. 14 people have put their name down at each site since the end of March 2017. A sudden high water meeting reading needs to be investigated at Norman Road. The water will be switched off on 31st October 2017 and switched back on Tuesday 3rd April, weather permitting. New noticeboards have been installed at both sites.

NOTED that the pile of rubbish that Cllrs. saw on a site visit to Nash Gardens/Prospect had been taken away by an approved contractor.

NOTED that a Cllr. site visit will be made to both sites in the late spring/early summer of 2018.

NOTED that two additional quotes are being obtained from local tree surgeons for the proposed works to trees on TDC land that borders the Norman Road site. This will be reported to a future Finance and General Purposes Meeting for a decision.

234 CULMER'S AMENITY LAND

RECEIVED an oral up-date on the granting of a new lease to the Town Council by the CT10 Charities.

Another draft lease has been received from CT10 Charities, which Danielle is due to respond to shortly. The main outstanding issue is still the non-receipt of a map of the exact area that the lease covers.

RECEIVED an oral update on Culmer's Amenity Land matters.

NOTED that the Willow Fedge is now established.

235 MOCKETT'S WOOD

RECEIVED an oral up-date on Mockett's Wood matters.

NOTED that an informal "brain-storming" meeting had been held with the Friends of Mockett's Wood to help raise the group profile to prospective volunteers and support them with the current issues of fires, littering and vandalism to fences.

NOTED that Cllr. Binks will investigate the possibility of Kent County Council installing a bridleway barrier at the Northdown Road entrance to the Wood.

NOTED that the Town Clerk and Administrators will engage with local schools regarding education about the Wood and the effects of littering and fires.

NOTED that Administrator, Abigail Barton, will support the group with their social media and website.

NOTED that the Town Clerk will look into the planning history for the site adjacent to the boundary where a fence panel appears to be regularly being removed.

NOTED that repairs to two areas of boundary fencing will be made shortly.

236 DEFIBRILLATOR

RECEIVED an oral up-date on Defibrillator matters.

The defibrillator on the jetty continues to be visually inspected and web forms submitted by volunteers from Tesco, Broadstairs High Street. Mike Dadd, South East Coast Ambulance Service British Heart Foundation Healthcare Practitioner continues to offer support and assistance with keeping the defibrillator in working order.

NOTED that the phone box is beginning to look tired and some of the metalwork needs attention. The Broadstairs Harbour and Seafront Group have been approached to make repairs and give the outside a coat of paint over the autumn/winter period.

NOTED that the Chandos Square phone box is in the early stages of being adopted, although no decisions have been made on its future use, the potential of another defibrillator is an option.

237 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Administrator Meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.