



Brixham Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Community & Environment Committee held on 23rd May 2022 at 6:00pm in the Function Room, Brixham Town Hall

Present	Councillors R Haddock (C), P Addison (VC), J Regan and W Okurut.
In attendance	Ross Green (Deputy Town Clerk).
Welcome	Cllr Haddock opened the meeting.
Public Questions	None

22015	Election of Chairperson Cllr Regan proposed Cllr Haddock. This was seconded by Cllrs Okurut and Addison. No other nominations were received. It was resolved to appoint Cllr Haddock as Chairperson. Cllr Haddock accepted the role of Chairperson.
22016	Election of Vice Chairperson Cllr Regan proposed Cllr Addison. This was seconded by Cllr Okurut. No other nominations were received. It was resolved to appoint Cllr Addison as Vice Chairperson. Cllr Addison accepted the role of Vice Chairperson.
22017	Apologies Apologies were received from Cllr Leech.
22018	Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda. None
22019	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on the 28.03.22 were resolved and signed as a true record.
22020	Queens Award (Cllr Addison) Cllr Addison advised that nominations for the Queens Award opened in April. The original proposal was to nominate an award for Pride in Brixham under the Queens award for the community. Cllr Addison will propose the recommendation and any nomination will require two additional independent people to second that nomination, which is already in place.
22021	Electric Scooter/ Bike Hire (Cllr Leach) It was resolved to defer this item.

<p>22022</p>	<p>Policies</p> <p>a) Revised Community Engagement Strategy It was resolved to adopt the revised policy.</p> <p>b) Revised Bee Keeping Policy It was resolved to adopt the revised policy.</p> <p>c) #2 Minute Litter Station It was resolved to adopt the #2 Minute Litter Station policy.</p>
<p>22023</p>	<p>Projects</p> <p>a) Vehicle Purchase</p> <p>Members raised concerns about purchasing an electric vehicle, specifically regarding how ethically lithium is sourced, the lifespan of lithium batteries and the uncertainties surrounding the technology.</p> <p>It was resolved to purchase a petrol or diesel vehicle and no longer consider electric options.</p> <p>b) Wildflower Verges</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk advised that the Lengthsman Supervisor recently met with SWISco's new Parks and GM Manager to discuss wildflower locations in Brixham. SWISco have identified locations themselves that they intend on wild flowering. Our Lengthsman Supervisor discussed suitable locations that had been identified and SWISco were very happy with what was proposed. In total 10 locations have been identified around Brixham.</p> <p>The wildflower planting scheme will involve stripping out the current vegetation to bare earth before any planting can be undertaken. SWISco have confirmed that we can borrow their rotavator and they may be able to provide us with the seeding. Work on the 10 locations are already being planned into the work schedule for September and next January.</p> <p>Brixham Town Council will display a plaque at each of the wildflower locations. The Deputy Town Clerk will also be exploring the option of having local businesses sponsor the wildflower locations.</p> <p>c) Beacon Lighting – Queens Platinum Jubilee</p> <p>The Deputy Town Clerk advised that the beacon lighting is one of thousands being lit in the UK and the Commonwealth, and forms part of the official programme announced by Buckingham Palace for the Jubilee Weekend.</p> <p>The Beacon will be lit at 21:15PM at Shoalstone Pool Green by the Chair of the Town Council, Cllr Haddock. Cllr Haddock will open the event with a welcome speech, with musical entertainment by a local musician before the lighting and music played by a Scottish Piper. Unfortunately, Brixham Town Band were also due to play but they could not muster enough members to perform.</p>
<p>22024</p>	<p>Date of next meeting</p> <p>To note the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for the 18th July 2022.</p>

22025	<p>Items for future agendas</p> <p>Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to raise items for future agendas, giving details of why the Council should consider the item. See table at the end of the minutes.</p>
22026	<p>Exclusion of the Public and Press</p> <p>That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted</p> <p>It was resolved to exclude the public and press.</p>
22027	<p>Confidential Notes</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on the 28.03.22 were resolved and signed as a true record.</p>

Item	Reason	Proposed by
Cycle parking (other than Town Centre)	Pillar Avenue, Summercombe, & St Marys Square.	Cllr Addison

The meeting closed at 19:31

Chairperson Date.....