

Environment & CIL Committee Meeting

Monday 11 July 2022 at 6.30pm

Minutes

1. To note those present and apologies

Cllr Lisa Phipps (Chair), Cllr Amanda McConnell (Vice-Chair), Cllr Kevin Ingram and Cllr Steve Aicheler were present. Apologies were received from Cllr Phil Rosser.

2. To receive and note Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were received.

3. To note CIL Income and Expenditure to date

Cllr Lisa Phipps to request this information from the Clerk of Council for the next meeting.

4. To receive an update on ongoing projects:

i) Additional Defibrillator/s in BTM

Cllr Amanda McConnell provided a verbal update and confirmed that she was awaiting a response from Dean Roberts at the Parish Trust regarding the possibility of installing a defibrillator near St. Barrwg's Church, Bedwas. It was confirmed that the cost to upgrade the defibrillator at Machen Welfare Ground would be £810.00p. The cost of the upgrade would hopefully be met by the BTMCC, Machen Welfare Ground, Machen RFC, Machen Cricket Club and Machen Bowls Club.

Discussions were had about potential sites for new defibrillators. The Spar in Trethomas was discussed as a possible location and Bedwas Junior School.

ii) Painting of electricity boxes

It was agreed that to progress this we would require the number of electricity boxes in the ward, permission and costs. It was agreed to re-visit in a future meeting.

iii) Install local walking/cycling maps

It was agreed that further investigation was required on this item and we will re-visit in a future meeting.

iv) Cycle Shelter in Machen and re-painting of parking bays

As this item has already been agreed at a previous meeting, it was agreed that Cllr Lisa Phipps would circulate the most up-to-date correspondence on the matter to members of the Environment and CIL Committee and the matter would be further discussed at the next meeting.

v) New fence and bench at the old caravan site, Trethomas

As this item had already been agreed at a previous meeting, Cllr Lisa Phipps will progress with Simon Beacham, Caerphilly County Borough Council's Area Parks Officer.

vi) Knee Rail near Subzero, Trethomas

As this item had already been agreed at a previous meeting, Cllr Lisa Phipps will progress with Simon Beacham, Caerphilly County Borough Council's Area Parks Officer.

vii) Fencing between new MUGA/Bedwas Bowl's Club

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5. To consider and agree future projects to take forward (including resident and Member suggestions):

i) Installation of new swings around the village of Trethomas

Cllr Lisa Phipps confirmed that she had been approached by a resident of Trethomas asking if we could consider funding swings for certain areas of Trethomas due to the lack of a park. Members were happy for this item to be progressed. It was agreed that Cllr Lisa Phipps would progress with Simon Beacham, Caerphilly County Borough Council's Area Parks Officer.

ii) Larger litter bins for the BTM Area

Cllr Lisa Phipps asked Members to support the installation of larger litter bins within the BTM Area. Members were in agreement. Cllr Lisa Phipps advised that she had organised a meeting with local Ward Members, Gavin Thomas, Caerphilly County Borough Council's Area Waste Supervisor and Cllr Chris Morgan, Caerphilly County Borough Council's Cabinet Member with responsibility for waste, at Bedwas Riverwalk, and an update would be provided at the next meeting.

iii) Personalised school crossing signs

Cllr Lisa Phipps advised that she had been contacted by PC Sarah Steer asking if we could fund School Safety Cut Outs for schools in the BTM ward. The cost would be approximately £82.83 per unit. Members agreed to proceed with purchasing the Cut Outs. **Decision required by Full Council.**

6. Date of next meeting

Date and time on next meeting is scheduled for 6.30pm on Monday 26 September 2022