



Coleford Town Council

Amenities Committee Tuesday 9 July 2019 Minutes

Attendees: Cllrs Penny, Elsmore, M Cox & Holloway

Public Forum – no one was present

1. Apologies were noted from Cllr Lusty
Cllr Holloway took the Chair
2. There were no declarations of interest on items on the agenda.
3. There were no dispensation requests
4. The minutes of 11 June 2019 were agreed
It was noted that no reply had been received from 2 Rivers Housing
5. **To make recommendation re the Stepbridge consultation**
Recommendation
That a minimum of 3 companies are requested to produce plans for a play scheme on the original site to meet the following criteria
Wooden play equipment
Age group toddler – 14 years
To include swings
For able and disabled children
Any surface to be considered
All to be ready for a consultation event on the afternoon 20 August 19
6. **To make recommendation re resident concern of aggressive seagulls**
Recommendation
That unfortunately there is nothing the Council can do as they own no properties in the area & the resident is notified
7. **To make recommendation re The Ancient Trees in the Forest of Dean.**
Recommendation
That a meeting is arranged with a representative of the Ancient Tree Fund & the Forestry Commission to look for funding opportunities
9. **To make recommendation re the phone boxes consultation**
Recommendation
That the costs are obtained for the refurbishment of the boxes at Coalway & Station Road
That the Whitecliff box is moved into storage
That the Coalway box is used as a toy and children book swap
Research is done as to the conversion of a box into a water fountain
The Clerk initiates the conversion of the Station Road box into a defibrillator
10. **To make recommendation re: funding for tree planting by and or the Forestry Commission and Glos Wildlife**
Recommendation
That a meeting is arranged with a representative of the Ancient Tree Fund & the Forestry Commission to look for funding opportunities



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11. To commission an audit of trees in the parish

It was reported that some investigation into producing the map in house on parish on line has started but it appeared to be a very time consuming exercise.

Recommendation

The tree audit is put out to quotation

12. To make recommendation re town centre lighting

Recommendation

That the town centre street lighting remains unaltered but that steps are renewed to get the lights in Mushet walk working

13. To make recommendation re the painting of the town centre street furniture

Recommendation

The repainting of the town centre furniture is put out to quotation to be completed as soon as the flower troughs are removed in September

14. To make recommendation re the tree felling & planting in the cemetery

Recommendation

That the Clerk & the Chair visit the cemetery and identify the trees it be felled which will then go out to quotation

15. To make recommendation re the building in the cemetery.

Recommendation

That a builder is asked to assess the viability of repairing or demolishing the building
That an acropop is installed and the area is taped off

16. To make recommendation re the vents in the King George V pavilion.

The Clerk reported that it had been discovered that none of the window vents had ever been opened.

Recommendation

That the vents are left open for a period of 6 months to assess if this solves the condensation problem

A review is conducted after 3 months