

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD
ON MONDAY 27th JULY 2020 AT 7PM VIA ZOOM.**

Present: Cllrs C Denny, H West, K Clifford, A Parr, C Pady, J Hay, R Watts, J Gardiner, E Jones, S Real and P Arnott.

Also in Attendance: S Haines (clerk)

Members of Public: 3.

- A20/07/16** **To receive and accept apologies for absence:** Cllr Turner (unwell) Cllr Jarmen (absent)
- A20/07/17** **The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4th May 2020 (Appendix C) were approved in the Amenities section of the Full Meeting on 11th May 2020.** Noted.
- A20/07/18** **Matters arising from the Minutes.** None
- A20/07/19** **Declarations of interest.** None
- A20/07/20** **Democratic Period** - opportunity for public questions & comments. No members of the public wished to speak.
- A20/07/21** **Allotment holder who had polytunnel request approved at the previous Council meeting has now requested a 6 X 8 shed on the same plot.** Cllr West proposed we accept this, seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.
- A20/07/22** **Decision on the Mill Field site.** After much debate it was decided that a further survey would need to be completed to check for reptiles and dormice before a decision can be made, Cllr Arnott proposed that we obtain at least three quotes before making a decision on which company to use, this was seconded by Cllr Denny who agreed to approach the companies he previously gathered quotes from to do the first half of the survey. These quotes will be brought to the full meeting for discussion. This was agreed by all. Cllr Gardiner asked what was happening about the rats at the allotments, Cllr Pady is going to contact the Pest Control officer at East Devon.
- A20/07/23** **Trees at Road Green – Cllr Clifford.** Cllr Clifford pointed out that there are two dead or dying trees in the far corner of Road Green (near the industrial estate) there is a healthy tree in between them which would flourish if these two trees were removed. Cllr Pady proposed that three quotes be gathered and taken to the full meeting for discussion, this was seconded by Cllr Watts and agreed by all.
- A20/07/24** **Items brought to the Chairs attention after the agenda was published to be noted.**
Cllr Arnott stated that he had been emailed by Claire Mountjoy from EDDC who pointed out that patches of Himalayan Balsam has been seen growing up the banks of the River Coly, Cllr Pady volunteered to contact FWAG (Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group) to see if there are any groups of volunteers in the area who might deal with this. Cllr Clifford stated that they would have to wait as there is a pair of Kingfishers currently nesting beside the river.
Cllr Hay stated that the Parish Inspection should go ahead if some Councillors would volunteer as it is outside and social distancing can be adhered to. Cllrs Clifford, Watts, Parr, Jones, Pady and Hay all volunteered so there will be two groups of three. This will happen on Monday 3rd August.
Cllr Pady is in touch with Jim Boards family RE the memorial seat, a spot has been found and a quote of £800 obtained from East Devon for a bench made from recycled materials. The plinth will cost approx. £50.

Cllr Pady will organise a meeting of the 106 committee to see what needs to be done going forwards.

Cllr Clifford asked about the butterfly bush at the end of Silver Street going onto Dolphin Street as it is overgrown, Cllr Parr confirmed that it is EDDC responsibility.

A20/07/25

Date of next Meetings,

Full CPC Meeting – Monday 10th August

Finance & Planning – Monday 24th August.

Meeting Closed 21:00.