

Kington Town Council

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Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting

held on Monday 20th March 2023 at the Old Police Station, Market Hall Street, Kington

PRESENT In attendance

Cllr. J. Cooke (chair)

Cllr. E. Banks

Cllr. P. Sell Cllr. R. Warne Liz Kelso – Town Clerk

Agenda item

Env 006-23 1 APOLOGIES, DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Apologies were noted from Cllrs. D. Redmayne, R. Widdowson, T. Bounds, M. Fitton, J. Gardner and I. Spencer. Cllr. P. Sell declared a personal interest in the agenda item on the Churchyard as a member of St. Mary's PCC. There were no requests for dispensation.

Env 007-23 2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th JANUARY 2023

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2023, which had been previously circulated, were agreed and the Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes as a true record of proceedings at that meeting.

Env 008-23 3 STANDING ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1) Health and Safety

There was nothing to report under this agenda item at this time.

2) Town Centre

It was noted that the new pedestrian crossing is due to be installed shortly opposite the Primary School.

3) Kington in Bloom

There was nothing to note under this agenda item.

4) Allotments

It was reported that recent activity at the allotments included a trimming of boundary hedges and the creation of new compost bins.

5) Recycling

It was reported that the new recycling bins for residents have not yet been received and it was suggested that recent press reports suggested that the introduction might have been delayed. This will be investigated further.

6) Churchyard

Future management of the churchyard

Members noted that now the Community Payback Team are no longer working on the Churchyard, arrangements need to be made to undertake general clearing of debris, cutting back of shrubs etc. It was agreed to seek quotes from contractors for this work with an estimated half to one day required every two weeks. This will be considered further at the next meeting.

Refurbishment of the compost bins

It was agreed to recommend to full council that a quotation for repairs to the compost bins at the churchyard for a total estimated cost £640 to include hire of a skip for disposal of the bin contents and repairs to the lids of the compost bins. On reflection, members noted that moving the contents of the bins might require the hire of equipment and it was agreed to review this with the contractors involved before placing final orders.

7) Community Energy

There was nothing to note under this agenda item.

8) Economic Development

There was nothing to report under this agenda item at this time although members were pleased to note a new business opening up on the High Street.

9) Footpaths and Highway matters

There was nothing further to note on this agenda item.

10) War Memorial

Quotations are being obtained for the cleaning of the war memorial.

11) Trees

There was nothing to report under this agenda item at this time.

12) KLEEN

It was noted that the car share club is being separated from Malvern Car Club and currently there are 6 drivers enrolled in the club. It was also noted that a litter pick will take place on April 16th. Finally it was noted that KLEEN members are to be trained to undertake home energy surveys for local residents.

Env 009-23 5. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

The date and time for the next meeting is to be confirmed. There were no items raised for the next agenda.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed.

Signed	
Chair of Environment Committee	Date