



Attleborough Town Council

Historic Market Town in the Heart of Norfolk

**Minutes of the meeting of the Attleborough Town Council
Environment Committee
Held on Monday 21st August 2023 at 7.00 pm
Held at the Town Hall, Queens Square.**

Present:

Cllr T Taylor - presiding
In attendance – Anne Willett – Town Clerk Assistant – Minute Taker
Cllr P Leslie, Cllr D DeSouza, Cllr J Taylor, Cllr R Bond, Cllr P Wenham
Public x 10

023.23) Chairman Welcome – Cllr Taylor opened the meeting and welcomed everyone

024.23 Apologies for absence –

Cllr S Taylor, Cllr J Ellis

025.23) Declarations of Interest

a) To receive and consider declarations of interest in items below – None received

b) To receive and consider dispensations in respect of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests –
None received

026.23) Public Participation –

- A resident from Kent Close informed members of an ongoing issue that was impacting on his and his wife's health. Their privacy was constantly being interrupted by children playing near their property and knocking balls into their garden even on a Sunday evening.
- The Councillors are planning a Walk Around different play areas and will look at this situation to see what can be done to help
- A resident queried why no Public Participation had been added at the end of meetings on all agendas
- Administration oversight and would be looked at
- Updates were asked for on several projects including Decoy Common, MUGA lighting, Cinema Queens Square and Jubilee Wood
- It was explained that a list of projects had been given in the handover from the previous Clerk and when the Locum Clerk returned from annual leave these would be looked into

027.23) Minutes of the Environment Committee 17th July 2023

On the motion of Cllr De Souza, seconded by Cllr J Taylor, it was

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting of the 17th July 2023.

028.23) Repair/Replacement of the bench outside of the Old Post Office– It was reported NCC, Breckland Council, ATC and Post Office did not own benches. On the motion of Cllr Leslie, seconded by Cllr Bond, it was **RESOLVED** – to find landowner and get their permission to replace benches

029.23) Re-pointing and repairs to the Church wall –

Cllr Westby had produced a very good report and it was decided Option 2 a viable way forward and to include Option 3

On the motion of Cllr Leslie, seconded by Cllr Bond, it was

RESOLVED – to invite tender for Options 2 & 3 and present to ATC meeting.

030.23 Correspondence

a) Request for replacement area to play cricket at London Road Play Area

It was decided to discuss with Grounds staff during Councillors Walk Around and to perhaps include cricket nets for safety, then present to ATC meeting.

031.23 London Road Dog Walk New Fencing Update

There was a discussion regarding the fence, member of public asked for more information

On the motion of Cllr Leslie, seconded by Cllr Bond, it was

RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders to allow public to speak

- A resident said if the MUGA in the play area was moved there would be no need to consult about the fence.
- Cllr Taylor stated she was mindful of these comments but if ATC puts work in place it needs to be of a satisfactory standard and it does need to be made good.
- It was brought to Cllrs attention that the discussion regarding the fence had taken place and members of public didn't know any of the facts and these should be made available.
- Cllr Taylor confirmed the London Road Fence and Church Wall reports would be circulated to Councillors and posted on website.
- Cllr Bond stated we need to use commercial contractors
- What steps could Council take to recover money paid
- Cllr Taylor ask Cllr Leslie to add this to the resolution.

On the motion of Cllr Leslie, seconded by Cllr De Souza, it was

RESOLVED – ATC will not pay any more monies to the contractor due to substandard work, that we seek recovery of funds already paid to contractor and we seek professional contractors to re-install or replace fence and to include any specification following Councillors Walk About.

Meeting Closed 7.40 pm