Minutes of Environment Committee 15 March 2021 (held remotely)

Present Cllrs. B. Beeley (Acting Chair)

S. Al-Hamdani J. Battye

P.Byrne (joined at 18.20- tech fault)

J. Curley (joined at 18.20)

K. Phillips.

As the Chairman was indisposed and the Vice CHairman was not available the clerk asked for a nomination for a member to act as Chair for the meeting. Cllr. Beeley was nominated.

511. Apologies for absence

Cllr. Darlington

512 Declarations of interest

None

513. Approval of the Minutes from 15 February 2021

Agreed as correct record.

514. Community Toilets Scheme

It was resolved that the criteria for involvement in the scheme would be the criteria used in the previous application forms:

That the scheme will provide safe and accessible public toilets in convenient locations for residents and visitors.

Businesses will allow members of the public to use their toilets free of charge during normal opening hours without the need for them to make a purchase. Participating premises will display a sticker indicating that they are part of the scheme.

In order to ensure the facilities are Covid safe, the business owner will be required to submit a risk assessment which details their cleaning regime.(New Addition)

It was resolved that those businesses currently in the scheme would be contacted to ascertain whether they wished to carry on. The geographical spread would then be looked at to see if further establishments were needed to give a better coverage of the Parish.

Decisions about payment will then be made. Cllr Al-Hamdani had researched other such schemes and payments seem to vary from £500 to £1200.

515. Carbon Neutrality

Members considered the paper submitted by Cllr. S. Al-Hamdani which gave Information regarding procurement in relation to achieving carbon neutrality.

It was resolved that all points would be taken into consideration when considering energy contracts in the future.

Taken forward as an agenda item to Full Council on 22nd March 2021.

6. Items for the next Agenda- for information only.

None

Date of next meeting:

14 June 2021 at 6.00pm