NEWQUAY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTE REF:

Minutes of the extraordinary **FBOS Committee Meeting** held on Tuesday 20 June 2017 at 3pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

ACTIONS

Present

Cllr Monk, Cllr Dixon, Cllr Hannan, Cllr Pringle, Cllr Rees and Cllr Hick. Cllr Towill arrived late.

Also attending

Mr Curtis (Town Clerk), Mr Piwecki (Deputy Town Clerk), Mrs Loveridge (Temporary Administrative Assistant to the Town Clerk), Mr Todd (Open Spaces Supervisor), Cllr North and 2 members of the public.

Cllr North Presided over the election of the Chairman

OS062/17 To Elect a Committee Chairman for the Civic Year 2017-18

It was proposed by Cllr Monk, seconded by Cllr Rees

RESOLVED unanimously to elect Cllr Dixon as Chairman for the Civic Year 2017-18.

Note to **Town Clerk**

To Elect a Committee Vice Chairman for the Civic Year 2017-18

OS063/17

It was proposed by Cllr Dixon, seconded by Cllr Rees and

RESOLVED unanimously to elect Cllr Monk as Vice Chairman for the Civic Year 2017-18.

Note to **Town Clerk**

Apologies

OS064/17 Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Edwards and for late arrival from Cllr Towill (3:03pm).

OS064/17 Late Arrivals (with apologies) Steven Hick (3.05pm) and Barbara Hannan -Newquay in Bloom (3.06pm). (i)

<u>Interests</u>

No interests were declared at this point. OS065/17

Public Engagement Time

Mavis Warman and Barbara Hannan (Members of Newquay In Bloom) OS066/17 attended the meeting to express their concerns relating to maintenance issues which could effect South West in Bloom and Britain in Bloom routes and gave suggestions as to how this could be improved. Whilst all present recognised the issues related to Cornwall Council/Cormac/Biffa and private

shops, the new Open Spaces Team has now been established to improve Newquay's appearance.

Open Spaces Team

OS067/17

The Town Clerk updated the Committee and stated the 'Open Spaces Team' is now a full team (as of 20/06/2017) and they have already started to make an impact with work they are undertaking on the Killacourt, ahead of their PPE and uniforms being delivered. Positive remarks are already being made by the public in that short time.

Committee agreed to work with the Open Spaces Team to prioritise what areas to focus on – ensuring a quick turnaround and customer facing tasks as a starting point and eventually get areas to a standard where the Open Spaces can upkeep on a rotational basis.

Mr Todd is to meet with Newquay in Bloom to receive a highlight of hot spot areas to focus on.

Committee discussed that the office should proceed in commissioning contractors as soon as possible, utilising the savings on the Footpath tendering budget to repair benches (prioritising of which are to be agreed between Chair, Vice Chair, OS Supervisor and Town Clerk once FBOS members have sent in key benches in need of attention).

Following a discussion, it was Proposed by Cllr Dixon, seconded by Cllr Monk and

OS067/17

(i)

RESOLVED unanimously to ask the Town Clerk to task the Open Spaces Team to prioritise areas within the Parish on the Britain in Bloom and Southwest in Bloom judging route, to a standard and upkeep ahead of the judging (up until midnight on the 9th August 2017).

Town Clerk

It was proposed by Cllr Dixon, Seconded by Cllr Pringle seconded and

OS067/17

(ii)

RESOLVED unanimously to vie £8000 from the Footpaths Budget line into the Open Spaces Budget and to give delegated authority to the Office to commission contractors to repair and replace agreed benches upto the £8000 as soon as possible. Benches will be agreed via email and decided by the Committee Chair, Vice Chair and Town Clerk.

Note to RFO

It was proposed by Cllr Dixon, Seconded by Cllr Pringle seconded and

OS067/17

(iii)

RESOLVED unanimously to RECOMMEND to the Finance and Policy Committee that Full Council agrees to release upto £28,356 from the Open Spaces EMR in order for the committee and Open Spaces Team to proceed with open spaces works without the need to wait for future approvals and to speed up the process.

F&P
Recommendation

Members discussed Social Media and Social Engagement as well as the possibility of bench sponsoring and Memorial benches in the future.

OS068/17 Date and time of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 June 2017 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Municipal Offices, Marcus Hill, Newquay.

The Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 4pm.

Signed	Cllr Z Dixon, Chairman
Date	