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ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on
26th August 2008
in Market Hall, Priory Street, Monmouth

PRESENT: Chairman Councillor Mrs A Were
Councillor R Bond, Councillor G Bright, Councillor T Christopher
Councillor Mrs A Dewhurst, Councillor Mrs J Hall, Councillor M Jones and
Councillor Mrs B Smith

AGENDA ITEM	DETAILS	ACTION
36.	<u>To receive declaration of interest on items on the agenda:</u> Councillor Mrs Dewhurst declared an interest in item 42	
37.	<u>To receive apologies for absence:</u> Councillor Mrs S Chivers, Councillor J Fletcher and Councillor R Hayward	
38.	<u>To approve minutes of the previous meetings held 14th July 2008 and 19th August 2008:</u> The Minutes were confirmed correct and signed.	
39.	<u>To review Action Summary and receive Town Clerk's report:</u> It was agreed to withdraw the request for traffic calming at Oaklands Drive. A review of work is needed at Drybridge Playarea as it was reported that there appears to be some flood damage to safety surfaces. Contact Sustrans regarding the design of replacement cycle racks behind the Attik.	Clerk Clerk AW
40.	<u>To receive correspondence:</u> Shire Hall Stewards: Request for funding of materials required for presentations of Shire Hall progress totalling £396.00. It was agreed that an application for the Community Grant Scheme should be sent. MCC Green Waste Collection Services - Members were concerned about the mixing of food waste and garden waste. It was agreed that a site visit should be arranged. MCC Keith Davies e-mail: Copy of e-mail to D McCarty	Clerk AW

	regarding moving of bench and planter from Shire Hall – It was reported that this has not yet taken place. Letter to MCC to follow up action	Clerk
41.	<u>To Consider the policy ‘Shaping our Future’ – the next four years:</u> Members agreed to defer this for discussion at the Working Group meeting to be held on 24 th September (see item 46) and report back to next meeting.	
42.	<u>To confirm recommendation of committee in awarding tender contract for Monmouth planting scheme:</u> The decision taken on 19 th August was confirmed. For: 4 Against: 0 Abstentions: 3 Councillors Mrs Dewhurst and Mrs Smith have agreed to be the nominated members to liaise with the contractor regarding the Henry V planting scheme.	AD and BS
43.	<u>To confirm funding of additional ‘Blue Plaques’:</u> The members confirmed the expenditure in the sum of £4000.00 for the next phase of blue plaques from the Heritage Budget. There will be 11 new plaques which the Civic Society is in the process of organising through Ned Hayward Workshop Gallery of Chepstow. It is hoped that there will be some additional contribution towards 2 of the plaques on local public houses.	
44.	<u>To confirm continuation of contract for mowing of the bank of the River Monnow from ‘Town Maintenance’ Budget:</u> Members confirmed that a letter should be sent to MCC requesting that the contract for cutting the riverbank between the two bridges should be extended for the coming year. The previous contact with MCC was for £136 per mow, MCC should mow three times this season on behalf of this committee. Members asked if a quote could be sought to extend this to the dual carriageway tunnel.	Clerk
45.	<u>To consider outside contract arrangements:</u> Deferred to the next meeting	
46.	<u>To consider purchase of additional Christmas Lights:</u> It was agreed to set up a working party where this would be discussed. The meeting is due on the 24 th September at Councillor Malcolm Jones home starting at 10.30am.	
47.	<u>To agree contents of Press Release:</u> Awarding of contract for grass cutting: encouraging of biodegradable takeaway containers (this item was raised during Osbaston Ward surgery).	

<p>48.</p>	<p><u>Any other business:</u> <u>Old Monnow Bridge</u> - A bin was reported missing from the seating area by the old Monnow Bridge. Clerk to investigate further and report to OSS if necessary. <u>Town Ditch</u> – Councillor Bright requested a new dog bin in this location. To be put on agenda for discussion at next meeting <u>Williamsfield Lane</u> – Councillor Bright requested a ‘No Through Road’ sign at the junction with Wonastow Road. Letter to MCC <u>Rockfield Road</u> – Councillor Jones requested a roundabout sign at the junction with Watery Lane. Letter to MCC</p>	<p>Clerk Clerk Clerk Clerk</p>
<p>49.</p>	<p><u>To confirm the date of the next meeting:</u> Monday 6th October 2008 at 6.30 pm</p>	

Date: _____

Signature: _____