

Chairman: Cllr Jim Devlin

15th May 2019

Dear Sir or Madam,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** to be held in **The Coach House, Crown Yard on Tuesday 21st May 2019** commencing at **7.00 p.m.** when the undermentioned business is proposed to be transacted.

Yours faithfully,

Deborah Tonkiss
Town Clerk

Chairman: Cllr M Moore
Vice-Chairman: Cllr D Spencer
Councillors: A Adshead, J Clark, M Dear, J Devlin, C Dyer, K Herlock,
C Roberts, M Thomas, J Tutton

Members are reminded that they should declare an interest, where appropriate, with regard to items on the Agenda.

AGENDA

- 1. Election of Chairman for municipal year 2019-20**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Appointment of Vice-Chairman**
- 4. Members to declare an interest with regard to items on the Agenda**
- 5. Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest**
Members of the public to be invited to speak on any matters contained within the agenda and which are of mutual interest.
- 6. Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2019**
To receive and consider the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th April 2019
(copy previously circulated)
- 7. Environment Committee Accounts**
(a) to receive a copy of the accounts in respect of the Environment Committee from 1st April 2019 to 15th May 2019
(copy herewith)

8. Working Party/Project Group Minutes

Members to receive and consider the following:

a) Tree Wardens Project Group meeting held on 17th April 2019 (**minutes of meeting and project update attached**)

9. Festival Gardens

Members are advised that Cllr Moore and the Town Clerk recently met with Skippers Ground Maintenance to discuss enhancements to the gardens. It was not deemed to be suitable for a sensory garden. A quotation is currently awaited and will be circulated for information when received.

10. Jim Shields Garden

Members are asked to consider whether the Town Council should investigate further providing a permanent piece of artwork such as a sculpture/statue to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the Mayflower sailing in 2020. (**see examples herewith**)

11. War Memorial

Further to minute 99 (b) from Environment Committee 9th April, members are advised that the final work of repointing the open joints and cracks is being undertaken by Bakers of Danbury at a cost of £980.00 (exc. VAT).

12. Events

a) Festival of Remembrance

Members are asked to decide which charities any profits from this year's concert are to be split between. As a reminder last year the proceeds were split between Help for Heroes and the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

b) VE Day 75

Members to consider the attached letter from Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR and details of the suggested events to take place during 8-10 May 2020, and whether the Town Council should take part. (**VE Day 75 letter herewith**)

13. High Street Issues

a) Litter - Glasses/Bottles

It is acknowledged that Basildon Borough Council are the litter and licensing authority, however in response to concerns raised by a resident about the number of glasses and bottles left on the pavement in the High Street, Cllr Adshead proposes that the Town Council considers whether to undertake any of the following options:

- i) that a letter is sent to the pubs and bars highlighting the problem and asking them to review their security procedures for customers taking drinks off the premises
- ii) BTC writes to BBC pointing out that the problem is increasing and requesting that as the relevant authority they look into this
- iii) that the Planning Committee ensure that applicants for a new or amended alcohol licence are made aware of the fact that drinks are not supposed to be removed from their premises

- iv) BTC either writes to Billericay Pub Watch which involves all the major High Street premises, or selects a representative to attend one of their forthcoming meetings

b) Planters on pavement outside Poundland

As Basildon Borough Council has removed the ivy from the planters members are now asked to consider whether the Town Council should smarten them up by repainting and a selection of colour options are attached

(see attached Planters Colour Scheme)

- 14. Items for Information**
- 15. Items for Consideration for Social Media/Press Release**
- 16. Questions from the Press and Public.**

The Public and Press are cordially invited to be present
Copies of the reports can be obtained from the Town Council offices