

BARNSTAPLE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Environment Committee

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.00pm in The Guildhall, Butcher's Row.

Present: Councillors:

Cllrs L York (Chair), V Elkins, R Knight, J Carter (Vice-Chair), M Lovering,  
R Mack & J Coates

Also in attendance:

Mr Robert Ward (Town Clerk),

Members of the Public:0

**1. Election of the Chairman**

Cllr York was nominated by Cllr Lovering and duly elected (NC).

**2. Election of the Vice-Chairman**

Cllr Coates was nominated by Cllr Elkins and duly elected (NC).

**3. Apologies for absence**

Apologies and reasons for absence were received and approved from Councillors A Rennles (family) and J Orange (health) (NC).

**4. Dispensations and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Cllrs M Lovering, L York & R Mack as members of North Devon District Council, have a dispensation under SO66 to discuss and vote on any item on the agenda unless the item refers to a financial or legal agreement or dispute between the two authorities.

**5. Minutes of the last meeting**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021, are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman. (NC)

**6. Budget Monitoring**

There were errors on the presented budget monitoring sheet. The Town Clerk will circulate an updated version and include a breakdown of the costs for Nominal Code 5520.

**7. Barnstaple in Bloom update and proposals**

Councillors were very grateful for the Barnstaple in Bloom 2021-22 Development Plan (Appendix One).

**RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase of three Anberol tiered planters at up to the value of £2,500 and to contribute up to £500 for the purchase of plug plants and compost in preparation for the 2022 planting season (NC).

**8. Town Council Carbon Footprint Baseline.**

Councillors received a report (Appendix two) proposing work in partnership with 361 Community Energy to establish the Town Council's carbon footprint baseline.

**RESOLVED:** To approve the sum of £2,450 to support the partnership work with 361 Community Energy (NC).

**9. Motion from Cllr Coates to purchase two benches for Rotary Gardens in Pilton.**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the purchase of two benches up to the value of £2,500 and to include a plaque on each bench identifying that they were purchased by Barnstaple Town Council (NC).

**10.** Councillors received, noted and approved the minutes of the Allotments Working (Appendix three) Group of 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 (NC)

**11.** Councillors received noted and approved the minutes of the Climate Emergency Working Group (Appendix four) of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021 (NC)

Meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Chairman.

Signed: .....

Dated: .....