ABERGAVENNY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE MELVILLE CENTRE, ABERGAVENNY ON WEDNESDAY 27th NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.00PM

Present: Cllr T Konieczny (Chair)

Cllr M Harris Cllr R Harris

Cllr L Van de Vyver

Cllr T Davies

Absent without apologies

Cllr M Lewis

In attendance:

J Lee (Town Clerk)

Public Session

No public session

ENV 34/19	Receive and approve apologies for absence		
	Apologies were received from Cllrs D Simcock, N Tatam and G Jones and it was resolved to accept the reasons for absence.		
ENV 35/19	9 Receive Declarations of Interest		
	Cllr R Harris is a member of MCC Planning Committee. He took no part in the decision making and voting on planning applications agenda item and acted, where required, in a factual advisory capacity		
ENV 36/19	Receive a presentation from Anthea Fairey, Chair of Friends of Cast Meadows		
	Incadows		
	The Chair informed the meeting that this presentation has been postponed until the January meeting		
ENV 37/19	Receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 23 rd October 2019		
	Resolved to approve the minutes		
ENV 38/19	Receive the Committee budget and spend to date		
	Report was noted.		

	Resolved to receive future budget reports on a quarterly basis.	
ENV 39/19	Consider and make recommendations regarding the following planning applications	
	DM/2019/01730 14 Holywell Close, NP7 5LN - Recommend to approve DM/2019/01697 79 Chapel Road, NP7 7DR – Recommend to approve DM/2019/01763 25 Albert Road, NP7 5RH – Recommend to approve DM/2019/01740 Black Lion Guest House – Recommend to approve DM/2019/01833 11 Clos y Pinwydd – Recommend to approve	
	DM/2019/01794 Extension to Aldi's foodstore – Disappointment was expressed that following the pre-application consultation that limited amendments have been made to the landscaping plan submitted with the planning application.	
	Following discussion, it was agreed that a site meeting would be requested with the case officer to discuss the Town Council's concerns and that comments would not be submitted until after this site meeting.	
ENV 40/19	Receive and approve Section 6 Environment Act (Wales) Biodiversity report	
	Resolved to accept the report	
ENV 41/19	Receive and comment on the SWTRA planting proposals for the Cantref roundabout	
	The planting proposals were welcomed and commended for the use of pollinator friendly plants and colour.	
	Resolved to respond to SWTRA accordingly.	
ENV 42/19	Receive and approve the outdoor water fountain proposal	
	As this is a pilot project, it was considered appropriate to purchase and install the cheaper Gentworks fountain and monitor its use.	
	Resolved to purchase and install the Gentworks fountain	
ENV 43/19	Receive and approve the 2020/21 budget proposals	
	Resolved to approve the 2020/21 budget proposals	
ENV 44/19	Receive details of the Team Abergavenny Enhancing the Environment activities	
	Report noted	

ENV 45/19	Receive progress on the Protect and Enhance the Environment and Economically Thriving Town Action Tables	
	Update action tables noted	
ENV 46/19	9 Consider additional actions for inclusion in the action tables	
	Resolved to include the additional action to produce a leaflet linking together the greenspaces in the town. Cllr Konieczny to progress.	
ENV 47/19	Report from Councillors attendance at external bodies relevant to this Committee	
	None to report	
ENV 48/19	Report from County Councillor on matters affecting Abergavenny relevant to this Committee	
	None to report	
ENV 49/19	Items for consideration at the next meeting 18 th December	
	Greenspaces leaflet proposal with possible presentation from Jeff Davies.	

There being no other business the meeting ended at 8.15pm

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD	
CHAIRMAN	DATE