

**Minutes of Thornaby Town Council's Environment Meeting held in the Town Hall on Tuesday 14 October 2014 at 6.30pm**

**Present:** Councillor's Mick Moore (Chair), Pat Large, Steve Walmsley, Dave Kennington, Tina Large

In attendance: Town Clerk, Mrs Tina Mansell

Minutes prepared by the Town Clerk

**ENV-14/98: NOTICE OF MEETING:**

The notice of convening the meeting was taken as read

**ENV-14/99: APOLOGIES:** To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Corinne Moore

**ENV-14/100: CODE OF CONDUCT:** Declarations of Interest

The Chair asked if there were any declarations of interest. No interests were given at this time.

**ENV-14/101: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No questions were received from the public

**ENV-14/102: BALMORAL AVENUE DOG BIN**

Members considered the email from SBC enquiring if TTC would replace their dog bin that they provided earlier in the year. The bin situated between 31 and 39 Balmoral Road looked as if it had been damaged by a road traffic accident. This was reported by an Environmental Health Officer who was in the area dealing with an unrelated issue. A debate then took place.

**IT WAS RESOLVED that SBC are contacted to enquire if the bin can be repaired and what those costs will be**

**ENV-14/103: CLERK'S UPDATE**

The clerk gave the following update:

**1. Teesdale**

The cutting back of overgrown bushes adjacent to the pedestrian walkways near the Princess Diana Bridge will be inspected by an officer to discover the extent of the work which needs to be carried out. No update from that inspection has been received.

**2. Harold Wilson**

SBC have been contacted in regards to feasibility for an adult gym and tennis court for the Harold Wilson field. We have been informed that they will look at the relevant evidence relating to these kind of facilities.

**3. Redcar Road and Humber Road**

Concerns about the amount of dog fouling at the cut between Redcar Road and Humber Road has been forwarded to SBC's Environmental Health team to investigate.

**4. River Users Group Meeting**

The next meeting of the River Users Group Meeting will take place on Monday 27 October. No time for the meeting has yet been given. Agenda and minutes from the last meeting will be received in due course.

Signed.....

*S.M. Walmsley*

Dated.....

*3/11/14*

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## 5. Airman's Statue/Spitfire Further Update

Horticultural Services have agreed to remove the two planters next to the Airman. Cleansing will clean the bird droppings off the Airman's Statue with water only and a general clean up around the memorial of any old and faded wreaths will be removed and disposed of. Highways will carry out some paving repair works to the rear. In regards to the Spitfire, the radio cable from the tail fin had not been repaired as previously requested. This should be renewed week commencing 13 October.

## 6. Sherwood Road Traffic Calming

Following the request put forward by the Eastern Area Transport Group to provide traffic calming on Sherwood Road, the proposals within the recent report have been agreed by the Head of Technical Services and the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and Transportation and will therefore be progressed.

Statutory notices will now be placed on site during the next few days and residents notified.

**IT WAS RESOLVED that the clerk's update was accepted**

**ENV-14-104: COUNCILLORS REPORTS** – an opportunity for members to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda

The following reports were given:

Football teams playing on the Linear Park are to be monitored by Enforcement as some are playing without pre-booking the fields as is the protocol.

Thanks was given to Lesley Palmer Associates and the Clerk for producing a quality production in regards to the Thornaby Pride.

There is still no update as to the where the Head Wrightson Locomotive will be situated.

There have been issues with residents who live opposite the park gates on Thorntree Rd who have had their windows broken by stones being thrown from behind the bushes along the fence line. SBC have been contacted as a matter of urgency requesting that the bushes be either cut back or preferably removed. There has also been an incident where two youths tried to force entry into an elderly ladies property and it is believed they ran off into the park. A request has also been put in to see if the gates to the park can be locked up at night.

The next Eastern Area Transport Strategy meeting will take place on Monday 18 November at South Thornaby Community Centre.

Reports of a tent in Bassleton Woods was investigated by Enforcement. As no-one was in the tent at the time they will continue to monitor to find out who it belongs to.

**ENV-14/105: CORRESPONDENCE – information only**

No correspondence was circulated

**ENV-14/106: DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting will take place on Tuesday 11 November at 6.30pm

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.05pm

Signed.....

*S.M. Walsley*

Dated.....

*3/11/14*