

DRAFT MINUTES

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Minutes of the Meeting of Fowey Town Council Environment Committee held in the Town Hall on Saturday 10th March 2012 at 11am

Present: Cllr Jane Vincent (Chairman), Cllr Katharine Alexander, Cllr Ruth Finlay, Cllr Tony Vincent (Minute Secretary)

1. **To receive apologies for absence** None

2. **Declaration of Interests**

a. In items on the Agenda None

b. Of gifts to a value in excess of £25 None

4. **Public Questions** None

5. **To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th December 2011**

Proposed by Cllr Alexander and seconded by Cllr Finlay it was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting held on 4th December were approved subject to the alteration in Item 7 that sum of £8,000 was submitted to the Finance Committee not the sum of £7,500 as minuted.

6. **Financial Report**

Purpose: To receive a report from Cllr Finlay on the current position

The Committee had been granted a budget of £8,000 from the Finance Committee. This should allow for contingencies such as extra planting and possible extra expenses in regard to refurbishment of the seats and paths in the OGS Gardens and Piggy Lane Triangle.

The final position with regard to payment to Tim Rhodes was unclear and may have to be taken a full Council Meeting.

7. **To receive reports on Street and Lane identification**

Cllr Tony Vincent reported that he first requested that certain alleyways be given nameplates in July 2011. As he had not received a reply he wrote again in January of this year adding a few more requests to the list.

The officer replied that whilst some street names would need new nameplates, those for "Stepaside" and "Inches Quay", whilst being Cornwall Council property, did not fall under his remit. Similarly Cornwall Council would not erect nameplates for such places as "Piggy Lane" or "Lambs Barn".

A nameplate for "Amity Court" will need to be arranged by the occupiers, as currently

this is not a recognised street name. Cllr Vincent said that he would inform occupiers of buildings in Amity Court of this.

8. OGS Garden and Agency Agreements

Purpose: To receive a report on the recent meeting with Mr White, including a proposed planting plan.

Cllr Jane Vincent reported that she had had a useful meeting with Mr White. She had discussed planting plans with him for the Gardens and s strategy for watering in "Hydrangea Row" and "Piggy Lane Triangle". Since the meeting it was suggested at a conference at County Hall She had attended with Cllr Tony Vincent she would suggest the possible planting of grasses more suitable to verges were necessary. Cllr Alexander said that she had contacts with The Eden Project and may be able to produce plants for Mr White to bring on instead of purchasing them elsewhere.

To appoint a representative to liase with Lanhydrock Garden Services (Subject to the Coucillor's re-election at the appropriate meeting of Fowey Town Coucil)

Cllr Alexander agreed to liase with the Garden Services in respect of grass-cutting weeding and access to footpaths.

9. Fowey in Bloom

To appoint a representative to liase with FiB (Subject to the Coucillor's re-election at the appropraite meeting of Fowey Town Coucil)

Cllr Finlay agreed to liase with Fowey in Bloom. Cllr Alexander suggested that FiB may wish to contact her as she may be able to obtain suitable plants from the Eden Project.

10. Priorities for the Year

Planting Plans were to be discussed further with Mr White.

The seats in the OGS Gardens and Piggy Lane Triangle were to be refurbished.

The Gates and Notices in the Gardens were to be refurbished.

Cllr Alexander said she would contact Tim Staples in regard to cutting down saplings on the cliff face below the Gardens.

It was hoped that a benefactor would pay for the refurbishment of the street wall of the Gardens.

11. Date of Next Meeting - 21st April 2012

The meeting ended at 12.30 p.m.