

Minutes of the **Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee** held on **Monday 21 September 2020**.

Present: Cllrs Butler, Cartmell, Kew, Sharps, Thompson, Tiller, Waldron and E Wiltshire

Officers: Town Clerk (A Moses) and Deputy Town Clerk (K Hale)

**193/20 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Baker and Stimpson.

**194/20 Declaration of interest**

None.

**195/20 Public participation**

None.

**196/20 Approval of minutes**

On the proposition of Cllr Tiller, it was **RESOLVED** to:

approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 17 August 2020.

**197/20 Update on the Town Wall**

Members noted that planning permission has been applied for and that we have now had the agreement from SNC that the funding for this will be coming from S106 monies. The contractor is ready to start 26 October if planning is in place.

**198/20 Agenda request – Parking at Hinton Road – Cllr Thompson**

Members agreed communicating with Highways to look at implementation of controls on the liberal use of Hinton Road for overnight campervan.  
We don't have the jurisdiction to put up signage prohibiting overnight parking.

Members also agreed that this should be moved to the Planning and General Works Committee.

**199/20 Agenda request – Preventative Measures for Open Spaces – Cllr Sharps**

An audit has been carried out and there are a number of little areas which will be difficult and expensive to cover. All the large open spaces are now secure.

Nether Close is an area that was looked at and there is an Anglian Water roadway so we will investigate this and talk to Anglian Water – there may be a possibility of putting in a drop bollard for access.

SNC area of land at the old swimming pool has various access points and this has been raised with SNC.

Other new developments – the developers are aware that we want preventative measures in place before we adopt them.

Foxhills development – there is a small area of grasscrete that could be vulnerable but it is on a steep slope and we will install knee rails.

**200/20 Matters for information or discussion**

None.

**201/20 Exclusion of Press and Public**

On the proposition of Cllr Cartmell, it was **RESOLVED** that:

in accordance with Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press is excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the item set out below on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the general interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**202/20 Bridge Report**

A survey has been carried out and is attached for information.

On the proposition of Cllr Waldron, it was **RESOLVED to:**

agree the following recommendation as highlighted in the survey

To carry out the works as detailed in the survey within 3 months after obtaining 3 quotes to be broken down into red, amber and green.

To carry our further monitoring and investigations as detailed in the survey.

Meeting closed at:

Signed:

Dated: