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Minutes of Amenities and Environment Committee held on 4th July 2018

	Meeting Commenced at 7.05am	Action
829	Attendance: Cllrs Mear, Glynn-Davies, Nicklen Smith Baxter (Cllr Glynn -Davies joined meeting at item 835) (Cllr Baxter joined meeting at item 841) Asst Clerk – Sue Tubb	
	Plus Cllr Godley at item 841 In he Chairs absence Councillor Nicklen started the meeting.	
830	Apologies for Absence: Absent – Cllr Bashford	
831	Declarations of interest by councillors on any of the agenda items below: None	
832	Request for DPI Dispensations: None	
833	Public Participation: No members of the public were present	
834	Minutes of last meeting: 6 th June 2018 – agreed and signed as a true record by Cllr Nicklen	
	Cllr Glynn Davies resumed as Chair of the meeting	
835	Guttering on Public Toilets/Re Pointing Quotes for toilet block: The Assistant Clerk advised members that as there were now two issues with the Toilet Block Guttering/soffits/downpipe and now pointing and brickworkthat two more outside quotes be obtained during the summer. Cllr Mear suggested that Andy Bull who had quoted for the guttering etc be approached to quote for the pointing/brickwork as an add-on	Clerk
836	Installation of Memorial Bench: At the previous meeting Cllr Mear said he had a leaflet from a company hat did this type of installation. He said unfortunately he was unable to find it. The Assistant Clerk advised members that 'The Handyman' had been approached and she was waiting for a written quote. Cllr Gynn Davies mentioned she may also know someone who undertakes this type of work. The Assistant Clerk advised that the houses near the proposed siting of the seat at Halewick Lane/Meadowview Road had been contacted for their comments by WSCC.	

Tree Planting Budget: Cllr Glynn Davies reported she had been doing research and there is an opportunity to get free trees from the Woodland Trust (They come in Packs of 30/105/420 for Community Groups – saplings 20-40cms and also come with spirals and bamboo canes for protection) A Wild Harvest pack is also available. Cllr Mear thought English Oaks if they were available...as if they were planted these are a 'protected species' and may prevent development in the future.

The application has to be in by mid August. A discussion followed on possible sites for these and Cllr Mear suggested Malthouse Meadow. Clerk to check if we would need permission to plant these trees there. To enhance Community involvement, it was also suggested that maybe members of the public be asked to sponsor a tree and plaques could be bought from the £500 budget if the trees were free.

Clerk

Cllr Glynn Davies proposed that she apply for a pack of 105 trees – and if a choice was available Oak, Chestnut, walnut, hazel crab apple were all suggested. Cllr Mear seconded – all were in favour

Cllr Glyn – Davies to check if Sompting Village Primary has a woodland area.

Cllr Glynn Davies

It was mentioned that WSCC and ADC working together in Test Road planting trees to enhance the area. Cllr Glynn Davies requests that the Clerk find out current situation. It MAY be that SPC would be able to support this. Must be mindful that trees planted do not cut out light from the properties.

Clerk

Sustainable Sussex are also happy to support Community Groups.

838 **Multi-Agency Working Group on Anti Social Parking:** Cllr Glyn Davies reported that apart from the draft packs that Cllr Baxter had produced with posters in – the item had not moved forward much. Cllr Nicklen to take photos of Cllr Glynn Davies car – parked on pavement – to upload in posters (number plate details removed).

Cllr Nicklen/ Glynn Davies

Cllr Glynn Davies to e mail pack to Committee and Assistant Clerk

839 **Local Traffic Survey:** Cllr Glynn Davis reported that the traffic survey has been approved by Full Council and Finance Committee – but will not take place until September to give a true representation of the traffic when the schools are back. She has prepared a map of locations where it is to take place and will e mail this round to the committee and the Assistant Clerk for comment.

Cllr Glynn Davies

Millfield Parachute: Cllr Mansfield requested this item for use of children at Millfield. Cllr Mear stated that in the past ADC were against any outside play equipment as the areas ere primarily for washing lines. Cllr Glynn Davies requested that the Clerk check with Adur if this is the case before this item is moved forward.

Clerk

Cllrs Godley and Baxter joined meeting

Repairs to Bus Shelter Western Road: The Assistant Clerk reported that the quote obtained from Pavillion glass to replace panels with toughened glass was £1197.00. As this was expensive the members suggested that it may be better to replace the shelter with a new one. Cllr Glynn Davies to research types and costs and bring to next meeting. Also the possibility of companies to sponsor the shelter if it had the facility in it. Cllr Mear wondered whether Meakers, a local company would make bus shelters. Cllr Glynn Davies to contact them

Cllr Glynn Davies

- 842 Future of Adur Schools- Cllr Glynn Davies stated there was nothing to update but will make an appointment with the local school to ascertain current situation.
- 843 Budgets - The figures of £500 for the tree planting and £1500 for bus shelters were highlighted and noted. Cllr Baxter stated that she thought the figure of £4500 for the toilets was very high. Members reported to her that there had been much discussion over the past 18 months as residents were complaining that the toilets were never open at convenient times. The A & E committee had agreed to £4500 for opening and closing all year round.

Cllr Mear gueried why the Sompting Best Garden/Doug Sherriff award had been removed. Members requested that this was put on Full Council Agenda for 11th July for further discussion.

He also queried what had happened to the Penfold Trust (of which he was a Trustee) which was a fund for needy and elderly. The last time this was used was over 5 years ago. The Clerk is asked to find out about this to ascertain the status.

Clerk

844 **Medical Provision-following Development in Sompting and New Monks** Farm: Cllr Glynn Davies attended a meeting of Healthwatch- which highlighted there are concerns about the number of GP's leaving the profession. There are plans afoot to change the way that healthcare in provided,. Some hospital services may move to the Community to relieve pressure on hospitals. - this is linked to the Wellbeing project that Cllr Godley is involved in. Cllr Glynn-Davies would appreciate any suggestions or comments.

> Cllrs Godlev and Baxter had a recent meting with Cllr Gloria Everleigh (Chair of Lancing Parish Council) to discuss joint provision of a health worker for 20hers per week, rather than two 10 hour posts. (One issue maybe that Lancing is three times the size of Sompting) Cllr Nicklen stated that the proposed scheme needs close monitoring. In the Adur Local plan there is only provision for an additional half time GP - to be based in Shoreham

846 CIL v Section 106: Cllr Baxter reported that after conversations with ADC we are left in the situation that the bottom line is that no additional moneys will be forthcoming from the proposed development. Cllrs Godley and Baxter trying to present a case to protect the community from the proposed development - maybe a case for less houses. Cllr Mear said this had been done a couple of years ago but the number of houses planned just keeps increasing. There is also a query about what is happening to the land west of Steepdown Road, which had been used as a run of for flood water in the past.

> Whether we are in agreement permitted development is happening and we must agree a way forward to minimise the impact on the area. It was requested that as Cllr Mear is a District Councillor – he try and find out the updated status of what is happening

848	Date of next meeting – 5 th Sept 2018				
	Signed ChairmanDate				

The meeting closed 8.30am

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