

Notes of the **CAPITAL PROJECTS SUB-COMMITTEE**
held at the Town Hall at **4.30 p.m.** on **WEDNESDAY**
7th SEPTEMBER 2022

Present: -

Councillor M. Bonfield – Chair
Councillor J. Bishop
Councillor T. Foster
Councillor A. Harris
Councillor C. Tomes

Also present: -

Ms G. Percival
Mr C. Milmer
Miss C. Johnston

1. Apologies

Apologies for his inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillor Moreton.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members were invited to declare their interests and consider any requests for Grants of Dispensations in accordance with Section 9 and Appendix B of the Council's Code of Conduct.

There were no declarations to record on this occasion.

3. Matters arising from Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th June 2022

No matters were raised.

4. Day's Park Path

It was reported that a further meeting with football club representatives had taken place earlier today to discuss the location of the potential future pitch layouts on Journey's End and the implications of this for the construction of the new footpath. A start date and a timescale for completion is awaited from contractors. It was confirmed that works are to be funded by CIL contributions.

5. Peveril Point Road

It was noted that the invitation for specialist contractors to provide a quote for the production of a methodology and specification is due to close on 12th September 2022.

6. Sea Front Improvement Scheme

It was reported that the report on ground stabilisation options from WSP had been received with several recommendations:

- an UXO survey, which had been commissioned;
- a full drainage survey of the site, which had been commissioned;
- a topographical study for which one quote had been received and another is awaited;
- a water survey of the site for which quotes were being sought;
- an electric survey of the site for which quotes were being sought.

It was also recommended to continue to monitor ground water conditions and ground movement for a further 12 months. A quote for this had been received in

the sum of £15,300. It was noted that this summer's drought had caused issues with ground conditions at Sandpit Field and the Recreation Ground. It was agreed that professional advice be followed to monitor the site for a further 12 months.

7. Station Approach

It was reported that an interim meeting had taken place with WSP and Dorset Council and that the report and final recommendations for improvement works to Station Approach should be available imminently. This will be brought to a future meeting of the Traffic Management Advisory Committee for initial consideration.

8. Seafront Repairs – Parish Slipway/Stone Quay

It was reported that the methodology and an invitation to provide a quotation had been sent to four suitably qualified contractors with a closing date of 16th September. Due to the listed status of the Stone Quay, the conservation team at Dorset Council had been notified of the works. An application had also been made to Natural England due to the location of the works; their permission is required in order that an MMO licence can be granted. It was agreed:

That, on the grounds of urgency, Full Council be asked to delegate authority to officers to proceed with works up to the value of £60,000.

9. Godlingston Cemetery Extension

It was noted that landscape works are now proceeding well. Councillors gave thanks to Steve Harris, of Wessex Grounds Services, for his work on behalf of the Council to achieve the current standards. It was reported that comments had been received commending the look of the new area.

10. North Beach Car Park – Removal of Art's Club Building

Following discussion at previous meetings, it was agreed that removal of the building proceed using the existing electrical supply for an electrical vehicle charging point.

11. Tourist Information Centre – Beach Cleaning/Storage Areas

It was reported that there are two stores adjoining the Information Centre on Shore Road that require upgrading and improving. These works will involve repairs to the stone roof, creation of a suitable rest space, provision of hot water and improved storage facilities. Dorset Council Property Services are developing a design for this location. Plans and proposals will be provided at a future meeting.

12. Operations Department – Vehicle/Equipment

Details of proposed new vehicles and equipment were circulated. The Operations Manager set out the increased efficiency and enhanced performance and finish that the use of these vehicles would achieve. It was confirmed the fuel type would be diesel. It was proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Bishop, and RESOLVED: -

TO RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL:

That a John Deere 4066m compact utility tractor MY20 (equipped and ready for a front loader attachment JD 440R Loader) and a Trimax S2 320 (mower) be purchased for the sum of £55,200.

13. Skate Park – Equipment Removal and Resurfacing

It was reported that quotes are awaited and therefore this matter will be considered at a future meeting.

14. Changing Places – North Beach Car Park

It was reported that Dorset Council had notified the Town Council that there was a shortfall of £1,250 in the funding that they had received from Government and had asked whether STC would be prepared to meet that shortfall. In addition, the installers had offered a 5-year warranty for £1,800 which covers an annual service visit, hoist inspections and break down call outs.

After discussion it was proposed by Councillor Foster, seconded by Councillor Tomes and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

TO RECOMMEND:

That the Town Council should fund the shortfall of £1,250 in the budget for the installation of Changing Places toilet facilities at North Beach Car Park and purchase a 5-year warranty for the sum of £1,800.

15. Electric Vehicle Charging Points

Further to discussion, it was agreed that the installation of new 7v electric vehicle charging points would be most appropriate at North Beach and Main Beach Car Parks.

16. Any Other Business

a) Northbrook Cemetery Fencing – it was reported that the fence from the cemetery to the rear of the public conveniences had been vandalised on a number of occasions. The Operations Manager recommended installing a metal fence and it was agreed that prices should be sought.

b) The Recreation Ground – it was reported that the tarmac paths on the Recreation Ground had suffered cracking, most likely due to the recent drought conditions, and that the Operations Manager is seeking advice regarding the best method of repair.

17. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting to be arranged in due course.

The meeting concluded at 5.20 p.m.
