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Proper Officer: Mr Luke Trevaskis

Minutes of Environment Committee Meeting of Morecambe Town Council held at Morecambe Town Hall at 18:30 on the fourteenth day of December 2023

Members Present: Councillors Joanne Ainscough (Chairman), Claire Cozler, Geoff Knight, Clark Kent, Paul Hart, Dan Blacow, David Whitaker

In attendance: Luke Trevaskis (Proper Officer).

Minute EC2324-008

Apologies

Apologies received from Cllrs Pilling, Clarke, Rogerson

Minute EC2324-009

Declarations of Interests

Cllr J Ainscough - Member of Lancaster City Council, Portfolio Holder for Environment Services

Cllr C Cozler - Member of Lancaster City Council

Cllr P Hart - Member of Lancaster City Council

Cllr D Whitaker - Member of Lancaster City Council

Minute EC2324-010

Minutes

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Minute EC2324-011

Vice Chairman:

Geoff Knight appointed as Vice Chair.

Public Participation

None.

Minute EC2324-012

Noticeboards

Members were provided with an update on noticeboards which have been removed across the district. A list of locations for replacement noticeboards had been circulated ahead of the meeting, but a decision on the direction of the scheme has been deferred subject to further considerations of locations. Individual Councillors who represent the wards where any new boards will be positioned, will be consulted before any final decision is made. Digital screens were also discussed and further research will be undertaken. The Committee also resolved for portable signs to be ordered to promote public realm work (action delegated to officers).

Minute EC2324-013

Allotment Site

The Committee unanimously agreed the recommendations in the report and requested a site visit to be arranged in the new year.

Minute EC2324-014

Public Realm Fleet

The Committee unanimously agreed the findings and actions in the report from the Chief Officer, agreeing to recommend to full Council, the purchase of an additional vehicle once the final cost to Council is confirmed. *The cost is estimated to be in the region of £45,000.00./

Minute EC2324-015

Enforcement Officer

Members were invited to discuss the draft service level agreement and consider whether the Committee wishes to pursue this. This was not supported by the Committee. It was noted that there is a lack of bins in the district and that there is a need to educate residents about safe and legal disposal of waste. Members requested a city officer be invited to a future meeting to discuss issues further.

Minute EC2324-016

Budget Bid

Members discussed the budget and agreed as follows.

Public Realm Enhancements	£50,000.00		
Public Realm Equipment/ Fleet /repair/ Maintenance	£15,000.00		
Insurance	£2000.00		
Public realm PPE	£5000.00		
Allotments	£2500.00		
Public Realm Unit	£17,500.00		
Casual Workers	£30,680.00		
Contingency	£26,500.00		
TOTAL	£149,180.00		