WYMONDHAM TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE, ENVIRONMENT, ENTERPRISE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE held on Tuesday 16th July 2024 in the Council Offices commencing at 7.00 pm

Present:

Cllrs	A James (Chair)					
	L Nixon					
	M Batley					
	L Doheny					
	S Nuri-Nixon					

Also Present:

3 member(s) of the public.

C Pharoah – SNC – Town Co-ordinator

LE19/24	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> – None.
LE20/24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.
LE21/24	MINUTES OF MEETING Upon the proposition of Cllr. Doheny and seconded by Cllr. Nuri-Nixon it was unanimously resolved to approve the minutes of the Leisure, Environment, Enterprise & Tourism Committee meeting held on 21 st May 2024 as a correct record.
LE22/24	 <u>PROGRESS UPDATES</u> Visit Wymondham website launched on 11th July 2024 Play equipment – Clerk confirmed report was being prepared for cleaning/painting. Ketts Park 475 anniversary picnic went well.
LE23/24	 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION A youth member of 'wild tribe' spoke in respect of not mowing appropriated grassed areas and to encourage the planting of wildflower areas. Cllr. Roberts spoke to support the seed library and bat boxes proposal and to take on board the comments of the previous speaker.
LE24/24	<u>BIODIVERSITY POLICY</u> The revised bio-diversity policy was discussed, and it was explained that discussions had taken place with Sustainable Wymondham and Greening Wymondham and amendments had been made to the first section. It is intended to now work on the action plan element of the policy and consideration is to be given to timescales/reporting. It was also agreed to add the Chapel Lane allotments to the list of sites. Upon the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. James it was unanimously resolved to accept the revisions.

LE25/24	<u>SEED LIBRARY</u> Upon the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. James it was resolved to purchase a seed library box to be gifted to North Wymondham Community Centre who will take over ownership and maintenance at a cost of £150.
LE26/24	<u>BAT BOXES – BECKETSWELL</u> Upon the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. James it was resolved to purchase 4 bat boxes from the Shed Wymondham to be installed at Becketswell at a cost of £120.
LE27/24	<u>OPEN SPACES – BIODIVERSITY REVIEW</u> After discussion upon the proposition of Cllr. Nixon and seconded by Cllr. James it was resolved to instruct the Deputy Clerk to undertake a review of Council owned/leased areas to ascertain where biodiversity can be enhanced, for example, allowing grass to grow, sowing wildflower seeds, creating suitable wild life habitats and more.
LE28/24	<u>TOWN CO-ORDINATOR</u> Update on progress to date was given by Corinna Pharoah (SNC Town Co-ordinator).

[The meeting closed at 19.44 pm]

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SIGNED (Chairman)