

Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting
held on Monday, 25th July 2019

Present: Cllr's S Aspey, S Maitland-Thomas, B Jones, G Walter & C Wintle

Clerk: Mrs A Thomas

In attendance: Mrs P Bowen (DSO)
Mr D Lynn (PO)

1. **Apologies for absence.**

Cllr R Lee (Personal).

2. **Declarations of Interest.**

None.

3. **To consider item Report of the Projects Officer.**

Members were provided with a written report from The PO and a verbal update.

1.0 **Grass Cutting**

The PO stated grass cutting at various locations is underway. Porthcawl Cemetery is looking particularly neat and tidy. Two cuts at Sandy Bay scheduled in preparation for the Truck Festival.

The Mayor suggested that the PO take photos of 'before & after' grass cutting, these photos could be used for the next Annual Report. The PO stated that he is already taking 'before & after' photos.

2.0 **Road Safety Improvements A4106 Newton Nottage Road and Tourist Information Roadside Signage**

The PO stated cables have been placed across the road capturing useful data: over 25,000 cars a day drive on Newton Nottage Road. Members acknowledged this amount will increase significantly over the Summer period.

Members agreed that highway signage needs to be clearer for drivers and visitors to Porthcawl.

3.0 **Porthcawl Public Toilets**

The PO stated there had been a few problems (system not working, missing components etc) at John Street toilets which were now resolved. Members suggested that the PO inspect the toilets once or twice a week before the weekend. The PO is currently inspecting the toilets once or twice a week. The PO stated a deep clean is scheduled next week.

The Deputy Mayor suggested that air fresheners be placed in the toilets. The PO to investigate this request.

The Town Clerk provided an update on public toilets in Porthcawl.

An Architect has been contacted regarding the new build of Griffin Park toilets.

Contact will be made with Mr David Brace in line with planning application protocol allowing residents of Porthcawl to comment on the new build. CAT not needed as building will be demolished and land transferred by 30.9.19. Licence will be required for a certain period. Cllr B Jones to contact P Kestle and F Blick to speed up the transfer.

4.0 Pavements

The PO provided an update on pavements. Monthly meetings to be scheduled with Cllr M Clarke – update when available.

5.0 Dropped Kerbs

The PO is aware of the 3 dropped kerbs off Bridgend Road.

The Deputy Mayor requested that all Councillors receive a list of dropped kerbs listed on the schedule.

6.0 Litter Bins

The PO provided an overview of waste bins in Porthcawl and agreed locations.

The PO to contact John Rees regarding litter bins at Newton.

7.0 Better Public Seating

The Mayor thanked the PO for repairing faulty benches on Newton Green. Members discussed tanalised timber at £150.00 per seat. Slats taken to workshop, painted then returned to Porthcawl Town Council.

4. **To consider item Budget Report (Clerk to provide).**

The Town Clerk stated that only 2.5% of the budget has been allocated. Members agreed that projects must be driven forward in particular Pavilion Partnership and Porthcawl Museum.

5. **Clerk's Report.**

Nothing to report.

The meeting concluded at 8.20pm