

**Minutes of the meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee
Held in the Council Chambers, Civic Hall
on Monday 14th November 2022 at 2pm**

Present: Cllr L. Deighton, Cllr M. Hanrahan (Chair), Cllr. M. Ireland, Cllr W. Jones and Cllr. R. Spooner

In attendance: J. Mitchell (Town Clerk) and M. Keys (Assistant Clerk)

1. Appointment of Chair

Cllr M Hanrahan was nominated and seconded, no other nominations were received.

It was RESOLVED to appoint Cllr M. Hanrahan as Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee.

2. Apologies

There were no apologies.

3. Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Minutes of Last Meeting

Members received a copy of the minutes of the previous meeting to review.

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the last Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting held on 30th March 2022 as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5. No Idle Zone

Members discussed the extension of the No Idle Zone (trialled on School Lane) across Dronfield and reviewed a letter to be sent to headteachers of all infants, junior and primary schools in Dronfield.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to council to send a letter to the headteachers of all the infant, junior and primary schools within Dronfield, seeking their voluntary participation in the extension of the No Idle Zone scheme.

6. Wildflower Meadows 2023

Members reviewed the quote for planting the annual wildflower meadow at Sindelfingen Park and attending to the perennials at Hilltop for 2023.

It was RESOLVED to recommend to Council to accept the quote of £1,480 for the planting and maintaining of the Wildflower Meadows in Sindelfingen Park.

It was RESOLVED for the Chair of the committee to seek alternative support for the Wildflower Meadow at Hilltop from local garden centres, horticultural groups or other organisations and bring back any updates to the next advisory committee meeting.

7. Tree Planting

Members were informed that 20 new trees will be delivered and planted at Sindelfingen Park on 29th November 2022.

It was RESOLVED to note the update.

8. Grass cutting and verges

Members discussed the spraying of grass and verges by NEDDC and DCC.

It was RESOLVED to not progress anything on the matter at this time.

9. Town Council Buildings

Members discussed the review of thermostat settings in buildings owned by the Town Council.

It was RESOLVED to review the thermostat location and settings in the office and Council Chamber.

It was RESOLVED to request that the caretaking staff are reminded to reduce the thermostat setting following a booking in Gosforth Lodge.

10. Date of next meeting

It was RESOLVED to set the next meeting date when required.