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To all Councillors: You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Environment Committee via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday 21 April 2021 at 7.15pm to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

To the press and public: Any member of the public may submit a written statement of no more than 500 words relating to any item on this agenda. These must be received by 10am on Tuesday 20 April by the Communications Officer Joanne Harper via the contact details above.

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Kelly Lawrence – Committee Officer

Date: 15.04.21

AGENDA

1	Chairman's opening remarks and apologies for absence:	Chairman
2	Declarations of interest: To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.	Attach 1
3	The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 15 March 2021 for approval: Decision required	Attach 2
4	Statements received from members of the public on items relating to the agenda to be read out by the Town Clerk (maximum 15 minutes): For councillor information	Committee Officer
5	Correspondence Received: Middle Street Waste Collection: Decision required Victoria Park: Information to note	Attach 3 Attach 3a
6	Correspondence sent update: Information to note Rotary Club: Sainsburys: BT Exchange:	Attach 4 (attach 4a) (attach 4b)
7	iTree update: Information to note	Attach 5
8	Litter 2 Minute Pick: Decision required	Attach 6
9	Environment Committee Project Funding - Information to note	Attach 7
10	Fields in Trust: Decision required	Attach 8
11	High Street Tree Planting: Decision required	Attach 9
12	Countering Negative Cycling Messaging: Decision required	Attach 10
13	RFO Update on Outstanding Actions: Information to note	Attach 11
14	Update on the committee projects/initiatives: Report from Adrian Oliver: Information to note	Attach 12
	Date of next meeting TBC	

Committee members: Cllr C Oliver, Cllr E Rowbotham, Cllr B Bano, Cllr T Bond, Cllr A Farrington, Cllr T Thompson, Ms S Danby and Mr D Carey

Declarations of Interest

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI)

Where a Member has a new or registered DPI in a matter under consideration they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Other Significant Interest (OSI)

Where a Member is declaring an OSI they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

Voluntary Announcement of Other Interests (VAOI)

Where a Member does not have either a DPI or OSI but is of the opinion that for transparency reasons alone s/he should make an announcement in respect of a matter under consideration, they can make a VAOI. A Member declaring a VAOI may still remain at the meeting and vote on the matter under consideration.

Note to the Code:

Situations in which a Member may wish to make a VAOI include membership of outside bodies that have made representations on agenda items; where a Member knows a person involved, but does not have a close association with that person; or where an item would affect the well-being of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc. but not his/her financial position. It should be emphasised that an effect on the financial position of a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc OR an application made by a Member, relative, close associate, employer, etc would both probably constitute either an OSI or in some cases a DPI.

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**The minutes of the remote meeting of the Environment Committee
held on Monday 15 March 2021 starting at 7.15pm**

Present:

Cllr E Rowbotham – Vice Chairman
Cllr B Bano
Cllr T Thompson
Cllr T Bond
Mr David Carey (co-opted member)

Officers:

Committee Clerk: Kelly Lawrence
Project Officer: Adrian Oliver
Secretary: Una Finch
Communication Officer: Joanne Harper

Others: 0 members of the public

1.	Chairman's opening remarks: The Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the remote meeting and advised on the procedures and reported apologies from Cllr Oliver, Cllr Farrington and co-opted member Sharon Danby.	Actions
2.	Declarations of interest: None received.	
3.	Minutes of the Environment Committee held on Monday 15 February 2021 for approval and signing: Members RESOLVED: To accept the minutes of the Environment Committee held on Monday 15 February 2021 as a true and accurate record (P) BB (S) TT 3 for 1 abstention motion carried.	
4.	Statements received from members of the public on items relating to the agenda: No statements had been received.	
5.	Correspondence Received: Members RESOLVED: To note the letter from Goodwin Academy. (P) TT (S) BB All agreed.	
6.	Report on No Idling Campaign: Members RESOLVED: 1. The Mayor to write to School Head Teachers inviting them to take part in the No-idling Poster Competition w/c 7 June 2021. 2. To confirm the Competition w/c 5 July 2021. 3. Competition to start 1 September 2021 ending 22 October 2021. (P) BB (S) TT All agreed.	Mayor Project Officer
7.	Share UK: Members RESOLVED: To postpone this agenda item to a future Environment meeting in order to find out more information on the project. (P) TT (S) TB All agreed.	Project Officer
8.	Update on the committee projects/initiatives: Members RESOLVED: To note the report (P) TB (S) TT All agreed.	
9.	Great British Spring Clean/ Litter Pick: Cllr Rowbotham gave a verbal report on the Great British Spring Clean/Litter Pick	
	The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.57pm	
	Date of next meeting – 21 April 2021.	

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Kelly Lawrence, Committee Clerk
Date: 13th April 2021
Subject: **Middle Street Waste Collection**

Please see correspondence received below:

Dear Councillors

I hope my email finds you well and looking forward to lockdown restrictions gradually easing. I'm contacting you to seek your help in ensuring scrutiny of Veolia's decision to stop waste collection services in the Middle Street Conservation Area on Mondays. I previously contacted DDC who were unable to help saying that they weren't consulted and lacked the necessary information to confirm the changes impacting residents. They are relying on Veolia to leaflet residents but we have yet to hear from them.

In the 5 years I've lived at 12-14 Farrier Street I've regularly swept the pavements and roads to clear rubbish blown in by the wind or scattered by sea gulls. I've never seen a DDC street cleaner sweep the road (although they do keep Beach Street and other larger roads tidy). My concern is that since the majority of homes on our road are weekend or holiday homes stopping the Monday refuse collection will result in a serious rubbish problem as people will have no option but to leave out rubbish sacks on Sundays and the gulls will do their worse.

The lazy response to this is often that visitors should stay away or take their rubbish home with them. Instead, I think we should recognise the positive economic contribution visitors bring and work to deliver services realistically so that we meet needs and help keep our streets tidy.

I'm aware that waste collection is outside your responsibilities as town councillors but I'm hoping you can encourage some common sense thinking at DDC on this and retain the Monday collection day.

Thanks and Best Wishes

Decision required:

Members to decide how they wish to respond to this correspondence.

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Adrian Oliver, Project Officer
Date: 14th April 2021
Subject: **Victoria Park Correspondence**

At the Environment Committee meeting held on the 25 January 2021 the following resolution was made:

RESOLVED: To thank the Project Officer for the report and to request the Project Officer in consultation with DDC explore options for the development of Victoria Park, in terms of a natural urban park with an ecological design and to explore potential options for design funding and to report back to the committee.

Please find below correspondence relating to the development of Victoria Park as per the resolution.

From: Darran Solley, Parks & Open Spaces Manager, DDC

To: Adrian Oliver

Cc: Roger Wragg, Head of Operational Services, DDC

Subject: RE: Victoria Park

Morning Adrian,

There have been aspirations for some time with the Parks department to look into developing an urban park for Victoria Park.

The census was that this may form a further Lottery Bid but there are other projects identified within the Parks & Open Spaces Strategy ahead of this.

I would welcome a further conversation surrounding your ideas as, there is much evidence and consultation background work to complete if this was a project to develop in the future.

Kind Regards

Darran

From: Adrian Oliver

To: Darran Solley

Subject: Victoria Park

Hi Darren,

The Environment Committee at Deal Town Council has asked me to consult with you to "explore options for the development of Victoria Park, in terms of a natural urban park with an ecological design and to explore potential options for design funding."

It is hoped that by improving the biodiversity in the park through increasing the planting (perhaps more trees along the paths, installing hedges, developing meadow areas?), the park would be improved for everyone. If this could include working with the local community (Youth Club, Schools, Deal With It etc) that would be even better!

Happy to chat through this anytime that's convenient for you.

Thanks,

Adrian

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Kelly Lawrence, Committee Clerk
Date: 13th April 2021
Subject: **Previous Correspondence Sent**

For members information:

- At the Environment Committee meeting held on 21 September 2020 the following resolution was made:

Update on the Environment Committee's objectives and current projects:

Members further RESOLVED: That the chair of the committee in conjunction with the Town Clerk writes to BT and Sainsburys to raise concern about the deterioration of their outside spaces and to seek their support in tidying up their area and replant with trees and shrubs in line with Deal Town Council's declaration of a climate emergency. (P) TB (S) LK All agreed.

Please see over for copies of correspondence sent from the Chair.

(To date, no response has been received)

- At the Environment Committee meeting held on 16 November 2020 the following resolution was made:

KALC Net Zero Environment and Centre for Alternative Technology trainings: Members RESOLVED:

- To note the report*
 - To recommend to Full Council that in the absence of a District Council level Tree Strategy, Deal Town Council press ahead with plans to map and value the tree cover locally, but also develop a Natural Capital / Tree Strategy for the local area – potentially collaborating with neighbouring councils, where possible, in doing so.*
 - The Chair, in conjunction with Officers, write to the Rotary Club's Deal contingent to investigate how we might work together on our areas of mutual interest in relation to the environment, with a particular focus on greening / tree planting.*
 - The Town Clerk to investigate potential applications of GIKI Zero to the work of Deal Town Council.*
- (P) CO (S) AF All agreed.*

The following correspondence was sent to Rotary Club from the Chair:

(To date, no response has been received)

Dear Rotary Club Deal,

I am writing as the Chair of Deal Town Council's Environment Committee to enquire about how we might work together to improve and enhance the local environment. It is my understanding that Rotary International has a commitment to protecting the environment and having 'met' a number Rotary members at a virtual Zero Carbon Britain training session recently, that many local chapters have a keen interest in undertaking planting projects in particular. Deal Town Council is interested in mapping out and increasing our local tree cover and would very much like to work with others interested in this initiative. I'd be grateful if you could pass this enquiry to the most relevant person at Rotary Deal, and I will look forward to hearing back from you in due course.

*Yours faithfully,
Christine Oliver*

Recommendation:

To note the report



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Date: 30th January 2021

Sainsbury's
36-38 West Street
Deal
CT14 6AE

Dear Neil,

External environment of Sainsbury's Superstore, West Street, Deal, CT14 6AE

I am a local Councillor and the Chair of Deal Town Council's Environment Committee. I am writing to you with regard to the external environment of the Deal Sainsbury's store.

Deal Town Council has declared a climate and environmental emergency and is actively seeking ways in which to minimise and mitigate the damaging impacts of the dual challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss. It was observed at a recent meeting of the Environment Committee that the grounds of the Deal Sainsbury's store, which occupies a very central position in the town, has dedicated planting beds and tree pits that are either not currently in use or are not being used to best effect. The Committee feels that this represents a missed opportunity and that the local environment could be greatly enhanced by ensuring that lost trees are replaced and that the planting beds are better utilised. This would not only visually improve the aesthetic appearance of the grounds of the store but has the co-benefits of increasing biodiversity, mitigating air pollution and reducing atmospheric CO₂.

Deal Town Council would like to investigate with you ways in which we might work together on this. We are heartened by the statement on the Sainsbury's website that you have a duty to the communities you serve to continue to reduce the impact your business has on the environment. We feel that a planting project and general 'sprucing up' of the site would certainly make a positive difference to the local community in Deal. It also fits well with Sainsbury's commitments to plant another 1.5 million trees, become net positive for biodiversity, and net zero carbon.

I'd be very grateful if you could respond at your earliest convenience to let the Committee know if Sainsbury's Deal would like to work with us on this issue, and the contact details of the best person with whom to communicate about it.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Christine Oliver
Chair of the Environment Committee
Deal Town Council
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Date: 30th January 2021

Your ref: NDDEA

Dear Sir or Madam,

External environment of BT Telephone Exchange (NDDEA), West Street, Deal, CT14 6AE

I am a local Councillor and the Chair of Deal Town Council's Environment Committee. I am writing to you with regard to one of the properties in your estate, namely the BT Telephone Exchange building in West Street, Deal, identification reference: NDDEA.

Deal Town Council has declared a climate and environmental emergency and is actively seeking ways in which to minimise and mitigate the damaging impacts of the dual challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss. It was observed at a recent meeting of the Environment Committee that the grounds of the BT Exchange building, which occupies a very central position in the town, has dedicated beds and tree pits that are not in currently in use. They are at present very unsightly with scrubby weeds and litter, but more importantly they represent a missed opportunity. The Committee feel that the local environment could be greatly enhanced by utilising these planters, not only visually but with the co-benefits of increasing biodiversity, mitigating air pollution and reducing CO₂.

Deal Town Council like to investigate with you ways in which we might work together to improve the aesthetic appearance of the building and grounds. We are heartened by the statement on your website that you aim to make a positive difference to the communities in which you operate, as a planting project and general 'sprucing up' of the estate would certainly make a positive difference to the local community in Deal.

It is our understanding that many BT Telephone Exchange leases are to be ended in the short to medium term due to reduced need resulting from the shift to broadband fibre. We would therefore like to know whether the Deal Telephone Exchange lease is one of those scheduled to end, and if so, what plans are there with regard to the future of the site? This will be very significant when considering what planting is appropriate, so an idea of whether the site will remain in situ with its current footprint or is likely to be redeveloped, will be important to know.

I'd be very grateful if you could respond at your earliest convenience to let the Committee know if Telereal Trillium would like to work with us on this issue, and the contact details of the best person with whom to communicate about it.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Christine Oliver
Chair of the Environment Committee

cc:

BT Group plc, BT Centre, 81 Newgate Street, London, EC1A 7AJ
Telereal Trillium, 140 London Wall, London, EC2Y 5DN
General Manager, BT Exchange Building, West Street, Deal, CT14 6AE

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members

From: Adrian Oliver, Project Officer

Date: 12th April 2021

Subject: **i-Tree Eco Training Update**

For members information:

At Full Council on 30th March, Members resolved: *to accept the quotation from Treeconomics with funding coming from the Environment Fund (Current balance £46,000) and to proceed with contacting Interested stakeholders, including Neighbouring Parish Councils about willingness to attend a training session on iTree Eco and the potential for collaborating with a mapping project with a minimum of 8 learners attending.*

Below is the brief and the details of the proposal put forward by Treeconomics.

Now we have a clear understanding of the structure of the training we can begin to approach interested stakeholders, these will be:

- Walmer Parish Council
- Sholden Parish Council
- Mongeham Parish Council
- Dover District Council
- Tree Wardens (local)
- Deal With It
- Mill Hill Community Gardening Group
- Sandown Castle Community Gardening Group
- East Kent Climate Action
- Kent Wildlife Trust (local)
- Woodland Trust (local)

The Brief

Deal Town Council is seeking a suitably qualified provider to deliver virtual i-Tree Eco training to Councillors, officers, volunteers and representatives from neighbouring Parish Councils.

Aims

- This training is to enable the attendees to utilise i-Tree Eco to map the current tree stock across the Deal Urban Area.
- This will allow an understanding of what tree assets are in the area
- Enable the Parish Councils to better protect the existing trees
- Develop plans for new tree planting
- Gain an understanding and connect effectively with regional and nation tree planting initiatives by organisations such as The Woodland Trust and Kent Wildlife Trust

Methodology

Phase 1 – Planning & Preparation Support and Guidance (1.5 days)

1. Provide an overview of the i-Tree Eco software to key partners and stakeholders of the project.
2. Support Deal Town Council in defining the methodology, key outputs, aims and objectives. This will inform sample plot distribution, data collection by volunteers, and the final project outputs. All training will be tailored to meet the requirements of this plan. Examples include; Define and confirm the study area, finalise project parameters, minimum number of plots; project stratification; sample plot placement methodology, agree information to collect, agree output data, agree timeline.
3. Treeconomics can either support and guide, or complete the distribution of plots using GIS and create plot maps for surveying
4. Treeconomics can either support and guide, or complete the set up for the project in i-Tree Eco

Phase 2 – Field Work (3 x 0.5 day sessions)

1. Treeconomics to provide virtual (via Zoom) training to field surveyors. The training will be tailored to meet the needs of volunteers new to tree surveying and will specifically cover data capture and data entry into the i-Tree Eco web-app, as per the agreed approach in Phase 1. Field data capture training sessions, will require two half day, directed sessions and two independent practical learning development sessions. There is an additional ½ day allocation for ad-hoc training, technical assistance and advice. Independent sessions will be supported via question and answer debrief sessions as part of the virtual training programme.
2. Deal Town Council and their field surveyors will follow the i-tree Eco Field Guidance supplemented to fulfil the wider project objectives (e.g. asset valuation). In overview, data collection will cover:
 - a. land use descriptions and ownership;
 - b. Tree survey;
 - c. key biometric measurements required by i-Tree Eco, plus estimated life expectancy;
 - d. Other vegetation including shrub presence (to be agreed in Phase 1);
 - e. Photography – essential for Quality Assurance and reporting.
3. Survey data will be entered directly into the i-Tree Eco web-app, for consistency and cost-efficiency. All surveyors will be taught use of the web-app and submission process during training sessions, including pitfalls to prevent data loss.
4. Health & Safety. All work will be fully risk assessed by Deal Town Council, and volunteer surveyors will be required to sign the risk assessments and comply at all time with their requirements, Risk Assessments will be provided to Deal Town Council for approval

Phase 3 – Data analysis and results (2 days)

1. We will train Deal Town Council in the use of i-Tree Eco to analyse the data and report on the findings of surveys. Familiarisation with the tool will enable Deal Town Council to further interrogate the data within i-Tree at any time in more detail in future.
2. Treeconomics would suggest that calculations to translate data into UK-based values as opposed to the US focussed outputs are carried out by Treeconomics and return in XLS format to Deal Town Council for reporting. The reason for this, is this stage is slightly more complex, and would likely be more cost-effective to complete the task, than to provide training.
3. Treeconomics will review the data sets with Deal Town Council and support the analysis and interpretation of data before reporting.

Timescales

Phase 1 – Planning & Preparation May-June 2021

Phase 2 – Field Work, Data Collection & Input Training June-July 2021

Allowing for data capture and input during the summer

Phase 3 – Data Analysis and Results October-September 2021

Treeconomics propose the above 'phased' support programme to provide the training at each stage of the project, however this can all be groups into one 5 day block if required.

Can be launched within 1 month of instruction.

Costs

Phase	Requirements	Unit Rate (ex VAT)	Total cost per requirement
1 – Planning & Prep	i-Tree Eco Tool overview. Project set up, confirm parameters and timeline Post Sample Distribution using GIS	£480 / day	£720
2 - Fieldwork	To deliver Virtual Volunteer Training (3 half day sessions) Provide digital support materials for fieldwork and data upload to i-Tree Eco and provide technical support field campaign	£480 / day (2 trainers required)	£720
3 – Data Analysis & Reporting	To calculate Ecosystem Service Values using i-Tree Eco and provide data in .xls spreadsheet	£480 / day	£480
	To train and support Deal Town Council in data analysis and reporting	£480 / day	£480
Total Cost of delivering the project to the specification			£2,400

Recommendation:

To note the report

MEMORANDUM

To: Environment Committee Members
From: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee
Date: 12th April 2021
Subject: **2 Minute Foundation**

Background

Part of the Environment Committee's remit is to work to eliminate plastic pollution in Deal. In recent months we have discussed support for litter picking and other waste reduction initiatives. The national lockdown made organised litter picks impossible. Now that things are opening back up, it seems timely to provide opportunities for local people, and visitors, to get involved in reducing plastic pollution and litter.

The 2 Minute Foundation is a registered charity that is devoted to cleaning up the planet 2 minutes at a time and that simple, achievable acts can add up to make a great difference. They manufacture beach / street / litter picking cleaning stations to encourage people to take two minutes to pick up some litter. This contributes to attitudinal change amongst individuals and the public beyond the act of picking up litter. People become part of a movement – the #2minutebeachclean hashtag has been tweeted from every continent and shared on Instagram over 150,000 times.

It is proposed that initially, we purchase a single beach cleaning station to treat as a pilot scheme. The cost would be £565 for a fully equipped station made of recycled marine plastic and with DTC's logo. If it proves successful, additional stations could be rolled out in different locations.

This would fit well with the other litter reducing and awareness-raising initiatives that the Mayor has been involved with and would support our environmental objectives. If neighbouring parishes along the coastline could be encouraged to do the same, the impact would be increased and be positive for tourism as well as the environment.

Please see attached for additional reference.

Recommendations:

- To recommend to Full Council that a Beach Cleaning station be purchased and appropriate siting investigated, as a pilot scheme
- Should Full Council agree to the purchase, Committee Clerk to write to Walmer Parish and Kingsdown and Ringwould Parish Councils to appraise them of the plan, and suggest a joined up approach to litter along the coastline



STATION CHECKLIST

Want to order a #2Minute Station? Here's what you need to do:

1. Research

- ☐ Know what you're dealing with! Weight of standard A frame is 20kg and dims: 800mm x 220mm x 1220mm
- ☐ Follow The 2 Minute Foundation on Social Media
- ☐ Get your funding in place
- ☐ Delivery is 2-3 weeks from payment
- ☐ Choose the right campaign for your station: beachclean/litterpick/streetclean

2. Consider the Location

- ☐ Choose a location
- ☐ Find a Guardian; someone to look after the station every day
- ☐ Get permission from landowner
- ☐ Ensure your insurance will cover the Public liability
- ☐ Depending on where you are locating the station, buy a lockable chain

3. Before transaction

- ☐ Brief the Guardian
- ☐ Prepare high res logo files for HQ (if you want your logo on the station)
- ☐ Choose the warning icons you'd like on your station (if any!)
- ☐ Return Order, Owner & Guardian forms
- ☐ Read through The 2 Minute Foundation 'Messaging Document'

4. Once received

- ☐ Launch the station on your Social Media
- ☐ Engage with your audience
- ☐ Keep in touch with us and use the hashtags (details in the Messaging Document!)
- ☐ Check in with the Guardian often
- ☐ Download The 2 Minute Foundation app 'BEACHCLEAN' and encourage your station users to do so too!



☐ Promote launch day



STATION COSTINGS - 01.03.2021

<u>Format</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Corporate & Councils</u>	<u>Sales Price Ex VAT</u>
A Frame	CUAS	Unique own-branded station WITH starter kit including sanitiser	860.00
	CUBS	Unique own-branded station NO starter kit including sanitiser	770.00
	CAAS	Own logo station WITH starter kit including sanitiser	540.00
	CABS	Own logo station NO starter kit including sanitiser	450.00
	CACS	Basic station no logo WITH starter kit including sanitiser	510.00
	CADS	Basic station no logo NO starter kit including sanitiser	420.00
Wall Mounted	WUAS	Unique own-branded station WITH starter kit including sanitiser	815.00
	WUBS	Unique own-branded station no starter kit including sanitiser	725.00
	CWAS	Own logo station WITH starter kit including sanitiser	495.00
	CWBS	Own logo station NO starter kit including sanitiser	405.00
	CWCS	Basic station no logo WITH starter kit including sanitiser	465.00
	CWDS	Basic station no logo NO starter kit including sanitiser	375.00

Unique own branded station is using your colour palette and logo/s plus wording (subsequent stations are less design fee)

Own logo station is using our campaign branding with your logo/s at the bottom of the station with your own icons

Basic station is our campaign basic station

Starter kit is 4 pickers and 10 repurposed tent bags per station

**Delivery is free*

**Any additional pickers and/or bags can be purchased separately from www.2minute.org*

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Paul Bone, Deputy Town Clerk
Date: 13th April 2021
Subject: **Environment Committee Project Funding**

For members information:

At the Full Council meeting on 30 March 2021 members agreed to rename the Special projects fund as the 'Environment Fund' Current balance (£46,000) and that any application for use of any of the fund by a Committee, Councillor or third-party is submitted to Full Council with a full costing proposal for approval.

Recommendation:

To note the report

MEMORANDUM

To: Environment Committee Members
From: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee
Date: 12th April 2021
Subject: Fields in Trust

Background

Fields in Trust, is a charity set up in 1925 as the National Playing Fields Association (NPFA), which protects parks and green spaces and promotes the cause of accessible spaces for play, sports and recreation in British cities and towns.

'Fields in Trust champions and supports parks and green spaces by protecting them for people to enjoy in perpetuity. Because once lost, they are lost forever.' <http://www.fieldsintrust.org/>

Protection is a legal agreement between Fields in Trust and a space's landowner that they will retain it for use as a green space, usually a public park, playing field or recreation ground, in perpetuity through an instrument called a 'Deed of Dedication'. The Deed is agreed with the landowner and sets out what they can and can't do with a space, without needing to consult Fields in Trust. Ownership and management of the land remains locally with the existing landowner, usually the local authority or town or parish council, and there is no requirement to rename the space. They provide a plaque to be installed somewhere on the space to let everyone who uses it know that it is protected in perpetuity.

There many forms of protection for recreational land, including covenants, town and village green registration and the planning process. Even if a space already has one of these on it, however, a Deed of Dedication will strengthen the protection.

Nowhere in Deal is registered on the Fields in Trust website as protected. The nearest protected fields are at Worth, St Margaret's at Cliffe and Guston. We have public parks and recreation spaces that could do with an added layer of protection, given the high premium on Deal for housing development. It is envisaged that Deal Town Council could seek protection for all the public recreation spaces in the town in perpetuity. The Coronavirus pandemic has emphasised how important and necessary our green spaces are for mental health and physical wellbeing. Applying for protection is a low cost exercise that also provides environmental co-benefits for biodiversity, soil carbon sequestration, and air pollution mitigation.

Recommendation:

- That the Committee Clerk investigate with Fields in Trust what would be involved in the process of protecting Victoria Park (as a pilot exercise) and report back to Full Council, giving an estimation of the officer time involved and associated costs, at the earliest possible opportunity.

Decision Required:

Members to consider the above Recommendation.

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members

From: Adrian Oliver, Project Officer

Date: 8th April 2021

Subject: **High Street Tree Planting**

A tree has been vandalised in the High Street by the seating area adjacent to M&Co.

It is a shame that we do not know when this vandalism occurred as it would have been good to identify the vandals through the DDC CCTV system. This would have enabled a prosecution.

This tree was already doomed before it was vandalised due to the concrete set around its base. This would have restricted the tree's access to water and enabled dogs to urinate on the tree without any obstacle (not good for trees!).

This tree can be replaced using the ring-fenced funds from the Aldi Development that are held by Dover District Council. Issues to be addressed are:

- planting space increased (i.e. the concrete infill removed and potentially some of the pavers);
- Tree must be appropriate to the location's micro-climate and robust enough to flourish in the unfriendly urban environment;
- Planting around the base needs to deter the attention of dogs;
- Soil in the area needs to be uncompacted to enable the root system to develop to anchor the tree;
- The replacement tree will need to be a youth rather than a whip and be bio-secure;
- An establishment programme will also need to be implemented with a watering schedule.

**Recommendation:**

Project Officer to liaise with Dover District Council to ensure this tree is replaced utilising the Aldi funds and that DDC follow the Forest Research Urban Tree Manual

(https://www.forestresearch.gov.uk/documents/5318/7111_FC_Urban_Tree_Manual_V15.pdf).

Project Officer to report back to Environment Committee.

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Adrian Oliver, Project Officer
Date: 13th April 2021
Subject: **Countering Negative Cycling Messaging**

Over recent years there has been a rash of "No Cycling" signs appear around the town, many of them at the behest of local Councillors (Town, District & County) influenced by a vocal anti-cycling lobby. Whilst these signs are not illegal (except one in Middle Deal), they represent a hardening of the rules and an internal active travel battle that should not exist.

The latest "No Cycling" signage installation on the seafront has caused a significant amount of Council email communication and negative social media noise.

Pedestrians and Riders both want a safe space away from the fear of being killed or seriously injured by motor vehicles. From an environmental viewpoint, there needs to be more active travel and less private car use. "No Cycling" signs send the wrong message.

In recent strategies published by The Department for Transport, Gear Change (07/20) and Bus Back Better (03/21), the clear message is a move away from Private Car use. In February, Transport Secretary Grant Shapps told a UK transport committee panel that there is now an ambition to see "half of all journeys in towns and cities to be walked or cycled by 2030."

The ever-expanding Deal Urban Area needs this change to happen soon. Our Town Centre streets are choked with local traffic. These Georgian and Victorian Streets cannot cope with a population of 15,872 (and growing) private cars & vans.

Whilst the Transport & Infrastructure Committee works on Active Travel Plans, the Environment Committee can focus on promoting walking & cycling as a simple way that people can respond to the climate and ecological crisis. The Committee can also add its voice to the need for more support from District and County Authorities to help residents move away from Private Car use.

Specific projects underway such as the Air Quality Monitoring and No-idling Poster Competition are important, but more needs to be done.

Recommendations:

All Members to feedback potential actions to reduce Private Car use, promote cycling and walking, to the Project Officer by the end of April. The Project Officer to liaise with the Chair to develop the next steps.

Chairs of the Transport & Infrastructure Committee and Environment Committee to meet to develop a coherent and consistent active travel policy for the Town Council to adopt to ensure future actions & resolutions do not negatively impact walking and cycling.

Decision Required:

Members to consider the above Recommendations.

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members
From: Paul Bone, Deputy Town Clerk
Date: 15th April 2021
Subject: **Finance and General Purposes Committee Update**

For members information:

Please see below an update on outstanding actions received from the RFO:

Hi Kelly,

The following are all things that are being dealt with by the F&GP committee: -

1. Obtaining a new Energy Performance Certificate?

This was delayed as the first company that F&GP agreed to use had misquoted and would not accept the order at the quoted price. An alternative supplier had to be agreed at the March meeting and the order has been awarded to 'Premier EPC' from Martin (near Dover). The survey of the Town Hall will take place on Monday 19th April.

2. Switching to 100% Renewable Electricity and Switching to a "green" gas supplier

This was debated by F&GP in January. Although indicative pricing had been received DTC was advised that the current supplier was advising these alternate suppliers that the contract could not be moved until the end of its term (30/9/22). This is currently being checked out by the RFO.

F&GP RESOLVED: to delegate to the RFO, the Chair of F&GP Committee and Chair of Environment Committee to negotiate the best deal, looking for 100% recyclable energy and to negotiate as little increase as possible.

3. Ensuring funds are not invested in activities related to GHG emissions?

The last resolution of F&GP was that when the funds that were currently invested with Nat West Treasury Bonds Currently, matured last year, they would not be re-invested until a suitable fund had been found that met the new Environmental Policy aims. When checked last year, no suitable funds could be found. The R.F.O. will research this again during May this year.

Paul

Recommendation:

To note the report

MEMORANDUM

To: Cllr Christine Oliver, Chair of the Environment Committee and all Committee Members

From: Adrian Oliver, Project Officer

Date: 13th April 2021

Subject: **Environment Committee Projects Summary as at 13th April 2021**

Project	Status	Active Actions	Next Actions	Committee Decisions	Significant dates
No Idling Poster Competition	LIVE	Draft invite letter to schools	Distribute invites (w/c7/6)	None	Competition Start 1/9/21
Air Quality Monitoring	LIVE	Data collection (EC) and Data processing (AO)	Data publishing	None	None
Tree Mapping: i-tree eco training	LIVE	Contacting stakeholders	Reporting back to FC (PB)	Additional contacts	20/4/21
Zero Carbon Deal 2025	LIVE	RFO Staff Travel Form.	RFO Complete calculations for 2020/21 and as far back as records allow (4/21)	none	Not set
Zero Carbon Deal 2025	LIVE	Investigate the methods and associated costs of carbon offsetting and provide options ensuring best value for money for a future decision	Report to FC	None	Not set
Zero Carbon Deal 2025	LIVE	Assess the internal development of a ZCD 2025 Roadmap	Report back to EC/FC	None	Complete
Plastic Free Deal – Eliminating Single Use Plastic	LIVE	Obtain accreditation certificate	Promote award	Trash Free Trails Autumn Litter Watch	Not set
Business Operations Environment Policy Alignment Review	LIVE	Review Meetings ongoing	Revisions	FC Sign off new documents (DTH Hire Complete)	Not set

Other Environment Committee Initiatives

Resolution	Status	Active Actions	Next Actions	Committee Decisions	Significant Dates
25/1: "Golf Courses as Carbon Sinks: Chairman in conjunction with Committee Clerk write to DDC to request them to pursue this opportunity with local golf clubs and the R&A as soon as possible"	LIVE	Email to DDC	-	-	-
25/1: " Chairman in liaison with Project Officer discuss with DDC Cllr Richardson how ground source heat pumps could be used with the development of Tides Leisure Centre as and when the development comes back on stream."	LIVE	Email to Cllr Richardson	-	-	-
15/3: " Share UK: Members RESOLVED: To postpone this agenda item to a future Environment meeting in order to find out more information on the project."	Pending	Repeat January Briefing at a future meeting	-	-	-

Recommendation:

To note the report