

MINUTES

Date:

Operational Management Committee

Monday 25 June 2018

Venue:

Committee Members
Present:

Councillor Roger Small (Chairman)
Councillor Sandra Pitman (Vice-Chairman)
Councillors Alan Clayton, Delma Collins, Tony Ford JP, Paul Hodgson, John Kirkham,
Kiran Mulholland, Sally Nash.

Other Councillors Present: Councillor Karen Buckley.

Officers Present: Allan Oldfield, Sharon Wadsworth.

Other Attendees: One member of the public was in attendance during the course of the meeting.

Public Platform

There were no requests to speak under the Public Platform arrangements.

Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. No declarations of interest were declared on this occasion.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Operational Management Committee meeting held on 22 May 2018 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute Members

The following substitutions were reported under Council procedure rule 22(c):

Councillor Tony Ford for Councillor Karen Henshaw. Councillor Sally Nash for Councillor Jayne Nixon.

Decision Items

4. Coastal Cleansing and the Provision of Beach Bins

Allan Oldfield, Chief Executive, introduced a report that had originally been presented to the Operational Management Committee on 22nd May 2018. At that meeting the committee had acknowledged the importance for beach management and cleansing and welcomed the initiative to extend the provision of litterbins to the seaward side of the beach but were not convinced that the options included in the original report had the capacity to deal with the anticipated amount of waste.

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A working group was established with a remit of looking at alternative options for both the size of bins and resources for the collection of the waste.

The working group had met and had attended a site visit on the beach to see first-hand the difficulties with manoeuvring bins on the sand and the health and safety implications. Clarification was received that the emptying of the bins would be included in the remit of the existing cleansing team. This would enable the emptying of the bins to be carried out seven days a week during the bathing season.

Councillor Mulholland requested an option of placing a couple of bins on the seaward side of the amenity beach out of season. An undertaking was given by the Chairman that this option would be investigated by officers.

The Operational Management Committee considered the recommendations from the Beach Bin Working Group and unanimously RESOLVED:

- 1. To seek an addition to the Capital Programme in 2018/19 (to be funded from the Capital investment Reserve) to provide for the procurement of approximately 30 post mounted 50 litre bins and a 4 wheel drive utility vehicle to collect the bins which would be located on the seaward side of the beach and sand dunes between St Pauls Avenue Car Park and Starr Gate, with the exception of the amenity beach area, together with additional associated staffing costs for the operation requiring a capital investment estimated at up to £25k with ongoing revenue costs estimated at up to £25k per annum.
- 2. To recommend to the Finance and Democracy committee to approve additions to the capital and revenue budgets in support of this scheme, as detailed above.

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