ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held at Hanham Hall, Whittucks Road on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Members: Cllrs H Goddard (Chair), C Cushing, C White, R Boissevain, K Bell, J Dart, P Bakker, S Atwell & J Goddard (sub)
Christine Everson (Clerk)
Apologies: Cllrs B Langley, R Boissevain & D Smith

1 Declaration of Interest

Cllr C Cushing lives adjacent to the duck pond.

2 Confirmation of minutes

Resolved that confirmation of minutes for the meeting held on 21st March 2022 as printed and circulated, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3 Public Participation

A member of the public attended to ask advice regarding a neighbour's building application and issues with the state of the front/back garden of the property. Advised to speak with the neighbour direct, or contact SGC Planning Dept as HAPC have no powers regarding this.

4 Clerk's Report

The clerk reported on the following:-

- W H Architects have agreed to update pavilion plans with amended roof and reduced windows FOC.
- The tree surgeon has completed the instructed works at Ellacombe Green. Stevens Green is awaiting permission on a TPO and Hanham Common hasn't been completed yet due to the funfair.
- Longwell Green Primary School thanked HAPC for the coronation bench and photos have been forwarded to The Week In.

5 Consideration of Planning Matters

Resolved that the following comments be made:-

P23/01526/ CLP	1 Pearsall Road Longwell Green BS30 9BB	Demolition of existing conservatory. Erection of a single storey rear/side extension. No Objections

7 Update on Conservation Area & Duck Pond

The pond management plan has been drafted but still awaiting results of the pond surveys. Advised there is a medium size population of Great Crested Newts in the pond. Aquaflora provided an estimate based on the draft plan of works of £15,000 plus VAT. This is too much for the WECA grant but once we have the completed MP we can look for suitable grants. Clerk to chase up Miles Harris at SGC regarding confirmation of what he agreed could be installed in the conservation area and prices for signage/bollards. We also require confirmation in writing regarding ownership of the verge next to Stevens Green.

8 Discuss requirement for extra Dog Bins in Parish

The layby on Abbots Road, opposite the duck pond, has an ongoing issue with people dumping bagged dog waste. **Recommend** installation of a dog/general bin at the end of this footpath. Clerk to obtain costs for installation and emptying.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm .....
Chairman