

**SWANWICK PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
23 AUGUST 2012**

Present: Cllrs D Staton, Fretwell, Hardwick, Payne, P Staton, Watson

1. Apologies:

None

2. Spend to date/remaining

The environment budget spend to date was discussed, and it was agreed that all spending this year should be contained within the budget.

3. Christmas Lighting

3.1 Tenders

Two prices have been received from:

Lite and Leisure Lites.

The prices were discussed and considering the elements within the tenders it was

RESOLVED:

To enter into a contract with Leisure Lites.

3.2 Expansion of the Scheme

There are 11 of the old 'blow moulded' designs which are no longer serviceable without some considerable refurbishment work, however, the Committee wish to extend the scheme this year.

RESOLVED:

Not to use the 'blow moulded' designs, but to replace with new ones in keeping with the current designs, and also to purchase more designs (in total 14). To enter into a contract for the storage and maintenance (with exact knowledge of what the maintenance agreement contains).

3.3 Christmas Tree

The Christmas tree is usually supplied by AVBC, the Clerk would approach the Council with regards to this.

4. Garden On The Green

4.1 Sculpture

The Chair has approached the company that were commissioned for the sculpture in the memorial garden for some designs and quotes.

4.2 Seating

The seat from Minster Way would be moved to the Garden on the Green soon, and it would be monitored, with regards to it remaining there.

4.3 Lighting

Western Power Distribution have given a price of £1327 for the installation of a power supply and the quotes from H Strange and C Tivey were discussed, and it was

RESOLVED:

To accept the quotation from C Tivey. The meter box to be supplied extra to the quotations.

5. Seating

5.1 Minster Way

The work should soon commence on the stone seat at Minster Way, the Clerk has spoken to the contractor.

5.2 Seating throughout the village

It was decided not to action any further seating throughout the village at the moment.

6. Memorial Garden

The garden is looking really good at the moment, the further beds are establishing themselves, although there is a replacement plant needed against the gazebo.

The clerk would action a replacement Russian Vine for the Gazebo.

7. Summer Planting/Hanging Basket Review

The displays this year have been exceptional, the Chair asked to pass her thanks to the contractor.

8. Environmental Improvements/Suggestions

Cllr P Staton asked that the idea of a Country Park (at Derby Road) should be included in the neighbourhood plan.

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm