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Community & Environment Committee

Minutes of a Community & Environment Committee meeting held at 6.00 pm on Thursday, 30th May, 2024 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Matlock, DE4 3NN.

PRESENT

Councillor Martin Burfoot - In the Chair

Councillors: Peter O'Brien, Robert Archer, Matt Buckler, Sue Bull, Peter Dobbs, Marilyn Franks, Susan Hobson, Stuart Lees, Joanne Linthwaite, Andy Nash, Steve Wain, Nick Whitehead, Neil Buttle and Nigel Norman Edwards-Walker

Present as substitute – Councillor(s): Neil Buttle and Nigel Norman Edwards-Walker

Helen Mitchell (Director of Corporate and Customer Services (Monitoring Officer)) and Tommy Shaw (Democratic Services Team Leader)

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor(s): Kelda Boothroyd, David Chapman, Dermot Murphy and Peter Slack

21/24 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with the procedure for public participation, the following people attended the meeting to speak on Item 5 – Recommendations of the Gypsy and Traveller Working Group:

- Councillor Stuart Lees (Ward Member)
- Councillor Susan Hobson (Ward Member)
- Councillor Louise Moran (Matlock Bath Parish Council)

- Councillor Kath Potter (Rowsley Parish Council)
- Councillor Christopher Vivian (Matlock Bath Parish Council)
- Rupert Pugh (The Heights of Abraham)
- Victor Launert (Local Resident)

22/24 - INTERESTS

Item 5 – Recommendations of the Gypsy and Traveller Working Group

Councillor Joanne Linthwaite declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item due to teaching a member of one of the families who were residing on a District Council owned car park.

23/24 - QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE OF PROCEDURE NUMBER 15

No questions were received prior to the meeting.

24/24 - RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GYPSY AND TRAVELLER WORKING GROUP

Councillor Martin Burfoot, Chair of the Community & Environment Committee, thanked those who had attended the meeting to put forward representations. The Chair then informed the meeting that on the advice of the Council's Monitoring Officer, the Council had entered the pre-election period in advance of the general election on Thursday 4th July. The item was therefore withdrawn from consideration, and would be determined at a future meeting as soon as possible following the general election.

25/24 - THE FUTURE OF MONSAL HEAD PUBLIC TOILETS

The Chair informed the meeting that due to unforeseen circumstances, an urgent decision was required on this matter. This decision had been taken to secure the short-term operation of the facilities, the details of which were published to the District Council's website. It was noted that a decision regarding the long-term operation of the facilities would be scheduled for the meeting of Council in July.

Meeting Closed: 6.25 pm

Chair