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MINUTES of the Extraordinary Meeting of the ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
 held at
The Guildhall, Church Street, Harwich
 on
Wednesday 31st October 2018 at 10.00am

Present:	Councillors C Powell, J Brown, Fay, I Henderson, McLeod and P Morrison
In the Chair:	Councillor M Fowler
Clerk:	Mrs Michelle Townsend
Also present:	No members of public and no press Horticultural Adviser – Cheryl Thompson
Absent:	Cllr P Morrison

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Cheryl Thompson highlighted the increase in vandalism in the town which included the tree located in the Flood Memorial Garden and has been cut down to ground level by Tendring District Council. Ms Thompson was going to ask for funding to be considered to purchase two tree guards, however, with the help of the Assistant Clerk, two second hand guards have been sourced at no cost to the council.

Ms Thompson asked if the committee would consider funding planters to be placed along the Quay by the benches. Costs per planter would be in the region of £350 - £450 and could be planted and maintained through the Harwich in Bloom scheme. Cllr I Henderson agreed to discuss this suggestion with Tendring District Council as plans for Harwich during Mayflower 2020 celebrations were being considered shortly.

E29/18	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> Apologies received from; Councillors F Powell, Todd and Smith
E30/18	<u>DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS</u> None
E31/18	<u>BUDGETS FOR MUNICIPAL YEAR 2019/20</u> The Clerk provided members with an update on budgets spent year to date and expenditure due to be incurred for 2018/2019. Members discussed possible future projects and proposed budgets for 2019/20.

	<p>RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND: Budget for the Municipal Year 2019/20</p> <p>MEMORIAL EARMARKED FUND £ 500 ENVIRONMENT SCHEMES/PROJECTS £2500 TREE & SHRUB PLANTING £ 300 EARMARKED FUND – FLOOD MEMORIAL GARDEN £ 189 - (already agreed at the meeting 15th October 2018)</p>
E32/18	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next meeting of the Environment & Community Committee is at 7pm, on Thursday 17th January 2019 at the Guildhall, Church Street, Harwich, CO12 3DS</p>

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.25am

CHAIRMAN

DATE