# Minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Open Meeting of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 @ 10:40am in the Council Chamber.

Present:

Hon. Russell K Yon - Chairman

Hon. Dr. Corinda Essex - Deputy Chairperson

Hon. Gavin G Ellick - Member Hon. Cruyff G Buckley - Member Hon. Cyril K Leo - Member

Mr Derek Henry - Director of I & T
Mr Darren Duncan - Director of ENRP

Mr Nicky Lawrence - Secretary

Invited:

Mr Jason Sparks - Marine Enforcement Officer – Item 3

#### Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone present and proceeded with the Open Agenda of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee.

## 34.1 Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

# 34.2 Matters arising from minutes of 16th April 2020.

# Dark Skies Legislation (Control of Artificial Light at Night Ordinance).

The Director of Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Directorate stated that originally, this should have been a stand-alone document, then it was decided to place it under the Environmental Protection Ordinance (EPO). However, there were no resources to support it so it has been proposed to place it in the Land Development Control Plan Ordinance and managed by the Chief Planning Officer and Building Officers.

A Special meeting must still be arranged with the Environment & Natural Resources Committee and the Economic Development Committee to decide where this legislation will be placed.

Action: Chairman

## Proposed Work Scheme.

The Director of ENRP reported that a budget is awaited to reinstate this scheme. The Chairman suggested the Scheme should be central to SHG and perhaps managed by the Education and Employment Directorate with funding from the Consolidated Fund.

The Chairman said he will raise the issue at the next Elected Members meeting.

Action: Chairman

# Proposal for a cycling Proficiency Course.

The Chairman of the Working Group was asked to work with the Police to take this initiative forward and also discuss with the Chairman should he need any guidance.

Action: Chairman

#### SHG & SHNT Marine Centre Collaboration.

The Director of ENRP said he had a discussion with the Acting Director of SHNT regarding a Letter of Intent which would have been followed by a lease if funding is found. Funding is required for the lease of the building.

The Director said he has been advised by the Attorney General to have a lease in place. He will draft a lease for the Head of Property and report back to Committee.

**Action: Director of ENRP** 

# 34.3 Introduction to Marine Enforcement Officer.

Mr Jason Sparks, Marine Enforcement Officer offered his apologies to the Chairman informing him that he must respond to a potential pollution incident and therefore cannot attend the meeting. He will meet with Elected Members in the near future.

Action: Chairman

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting closed at 11:45am.

The next Open meeting of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee will be held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020 @ 10:00am in the Council Chamber.

Confirmed Bon Date 10 June 2020