

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL
held on **Thursday 23rd March 2023**, at 28 High Street, Winslow, at 7pm

Present: Cllrs Cawdell, Castle, Cornell and Onley **Absent:** Cllr Hamley **Clerk:** S Carolan
Members of the press and public: Cllr Wiseman

Apologies for Absence: None

Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

A23/22 The Committee RESOLVED that the minutes of its meeting on Thursday 16th March 2023 be signed as a true record.

Matters Delegated by Council: None

Street Scene

The Committee noted a report from Cllr Cawdell on a recent meeting with Greener Winslow, and the follow-up actions.

A23/23 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to purchase dog bins to the value of £536 from the 2023-24 budget.

Allotments

The Committee noted a report from the Clerk on occupancy and waiting lists.

Recreation Ground

A23/24 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk should request that Winslow Sports Club asks Winslow United to remove its temporary fencing when matches are not in progress.

Public Hall Car Park

A23/25 The Committee noted a request from Buckinghamshire Councillor Chilver to consider installation of a dropped kerb at the East end of the car park, and RESOLVED that the Clerk should (a) respond to Cllr Chilver to clarify that WTC does not support the proposal, and (b) explore options for closing this exit from the car park.

Burial Ground

Members noted that East West Rail Alliance has installed the promised fencing to the rear of the burial ground extension.

A23/26 The Committee welcomed an offer from the Winslow & Villages Community Board for part-funding of the recent path upgrade, and RESOLVED to accept the offer with its attached terms and conditions.

A23/27 The Committee noted a report from Mike Glanfield on options for repairing the main burial ground gates, and RESOLVED that the Clerk should obtain quotes for the removal and reinstallation of the left gate and posts.

A23/28 The Committee RESOLVED that unspent burial ground extension funds from the 2022-23 budget be retained as an earmarked reserve.

Tomkins Park

Members noted that installation of the new picnic benches is scheduled for before easter.

A23/29 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk should obtain quotes for the installation the delayed new bench in the park, complete with hardstanding for wheelchair accessibility, and in concrete if hoggins is not possible.

A23/30 The Committee noted a surveyors report on the leaning cedar and RESOLVED that the tree should be fenced off as soon as possible, and until remedial works are completed.

Biodiversity

Members noted a forthcoming meeting of Cllr Cawdell with Hugh Ellerton and others.

Devolved Services

A23/31 Members noted a request from Walker Groundcare for the purchase of a strimmer and hedge cutter, and RESOLVED that the Clerk should add the request to the next Council agenda.

Items for Information

The Committee's next meetings are scheduled for Thursdays 18th May and 29th June 2023.

The chairman closed the meeting at 8:28pm.

Signed: _____ (Chairman) at a Meeting held on **18th May 2023**