

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL  
held on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023**, at 28 High Street, Winslow, at 7pm

**Present:** Cllrs Cawdell, Castle, Hamley and Wiseman      **Absent:** Cllr Onley      **Clerk:** S Carolan  
**Also present:** Cllrs Cawte and the Estates Manager

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Onley

A23/40      The Committee RESOLVED to accept Cllr Onley's apologies.

**Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation:** None

**Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising**

A23/41      The Committee RESOLVED that the minutes of its meeting on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 be signed as a true record.

**Matters Delegated by Council: Street Clutter**

A23/42      The Committee discussed the Council's signage and fly posting policy and RESOLVED that the policy is adequate but should be distributed to the Town's community organisations.

**Street Scene**

The Committee noted the recommendations of the Estates Manager for the future maintenance of street furniture and that the Clerk will make suitable provision in the draft 2024-25 budget for currently unbudgeted short-term items.

The Committee noted a missing bin on National Cycle Route 51 and that the Estates Manager will monitor the need for a replacement.

**Allotments**

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

**Public Hall Car Park**

A23/43      The Committee noted an update from the Clerk and considered an alternative design for the replacement height barrier and RESOLVED to recommend to Council that it procures a Newgate 'Manual Rising Arm Height Restrictor', subject to a review of the detailed design and sufficient s.106 funds being available.

A23/44      The Committee noted: (a) the recent failure of the 'Acco' drain and its temporary repair by Winwood Construction; (b) the installation cost of the existing drain in 2006; (c) the disruption that would result from a three-day closure of the car park similar to that in 2006; and (d) a quote for the drain to be replaced incrementally to avoid the need for a car park closure, and RESOLVED to recommend to Council that it accept a quote from Winwood Construction.

**Burial Ground**

The Committee noted a report from Cllr Hamley on a recent meeting of the BG Extension steering group.

A23/45      The Committee noted an update from the Clerk on maintenance, and RESOLVED that the Clerk should explore options to prevent the further ingress of moles.

**Tomkins Park**

Members noted an update from the Clerk on maintenance, and suggestions for further minor upgrades.

A23/46      The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to spend up to £1,000 on materials and labour to improve the safety and accessibility of the current path, including a menthe path as it approaches Greyhound Lane car park.

A23/47      The Committee noted the much improved appearance of the laurel-leaved oak following recent mowing and RESOLVED that the area beneath the tree should be kept clear of growth all year round.

**Devolved Services**

Members noted an update from the Clerk on general progress with mowing and on delays caused by remedial work to overgrown paths.

**Correspondence**

The Committee noted correspondence from a resident regarding the condition of the fence behind the Outdoor Family Fitness Area and deferred discussion until members have made a site visit.

**Items for Information**

The Committee's next meetings are scheduled for Thursdays 17<sup>th</sup> August and 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

*The chairman closed the meeting at 8:37pm.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman) at a Meeting held on **17<sup>th</sup> August 2023**