

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on
Tuesday 15th May 2012,
at 7pm in the Council Chamber at 28 High Street, Winslow, MK18 3HQ

	<p>Present: Cllrs. Barry (Chairman), Castle, Chambers, Eatwell, Gibbs and Wiseman, Apologies: None Clerk: C Loch <i>There were no members of the public or press present.</i></p>
A12/52	<p>Election of Chairman: Nominations for Chairman were requested. RESOLVED unanimously to elect Cllr. Barry as Chairman.</p>
	<p>Declarations of Interest – Cllr. Castle declared a personal interest in matters relating to the Youth Centre.</p>
A12/53	<p>Minutes of meeting on 17th April 2012 agreed to be a true record and signed</p>
A12/54	<p>Matters Arising: Elmfields Gate Parking: Members heard an update regarding parking on hatched areas and in disabled spaces. The matter would be considered further at a future meeting. Cricketers Row: As yet this work has not been done although it was said to have been held up by the weather. The Deputy Clerk was asked to remind those responsible to carry out the work as soon as possible.</p>
A12/55	<p>Items delegated by Council: War Memorial: A memorial to those who died when a bomber crashed in Winslow during the war was raised at the Annual Town Meeting as well as an idea to install hooks so that wreathes could be hung neatly rather than left on the memorial steps. The Deputy Clerk was requested to approach the PCC for permission and to obtain costs.</p>
A12/56	<p>Street Furniture Litter Bin: Swanbourne Road/ Cycle Path corner. Members considered a request for a litter bin in this area. RESOLVED to approve the installation of bin subject to agreeing the exact location and the contractors being able to empty it. It was also reported that there could be a need for a dog bin in the area near the Little Horwood Road/Sheep St corner. This would be considered at a future meeting if sufficient need was proven.</p>
A12/57	<p>Landscaping and Trees Lions Bulb planting: Members considered a request from Lions to plant bulbs in the town. The Committee agreed in principle and would consider suitable sites.</p>
A12/58	<p>Burial Ground: Landscaping of Transferred Land: (A12/46) The Deputy Clerk reported an indicative cost for suitable fencing along the boundary and that the developer had approved a contribution of £750 towards the cost. RESOLVED to fence as required and provide suitable access. The Deputy Clerk was requested to obtain further quotes for the work.</p>
A12/59	<p>Memorial: Members noted a complaint re damage to a memorial, said to be from strimming. The matter would be considered further when more information was available.</p>
A12/60	<p>Playground: Replacement Expenditure: (A12/47) Members were updated on progress and heard that an outline report would be ready for consideration at the June meeting. However, it was considered that the wooden equipment at the High St. End of the area was no longer functional or safe and should be removed as soon as possible and a cost for this work was awaited</p>
A12/61	<p>Jubilee Games Area (A12/48): Cllr Barry reported on progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The final format and wording for signage was confirmed and RESOLVED that the Deputy Clerk make the amendments and place an order. It was agreed that a finger post would not be provided unless it became clear that there was a need for one. • As yet no response had been received regarding rates following the inspection of May 4th. • Locking/Unlocking and associated daily maintenance was now satisfactory.

A12/62	<p>Outdoor Gym: (A12/49) Cllr. Barry reported on progress.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following a meeting with the Sports Club, a suitable site had been agreed in principle. • A draft timeline indicated that it might be possible to have this project completed in the spring of 2013 • The WI had expressed an interest in this project and would now be contacted to discuss it further. • An outline proposal would be prepared for the June meeting.
A12/63	<p>CCTV Upgrade: (A12/50) Members heard that the BT line to the Public hall had now been installed. A date for the installation of the cameras was yet to be confirmed.</p> <p>The quarterly monitor reports were not up to date, the contractor would be requested to carry out the inspections and produce reports as soon as possible. In view of the equipment and system changes the CCTV Policy would need to be reviewed,</p>
A12/64	<p>Reports of Outside Bodies</p> <p>BSNAG: Members noted that Thames Valley Police had indicated that the VAS had made a positive impact on speeding on the Buckingham Road. The recent Dog Watch event at the Winslow Centre had been very successful.</p> <p>Friends of Winslow Youth Centre / Youth Cafe: Cllr. Castle reported that a recent meeting to clarify the proposed alterations to the Youth Centre (as required to make a WTC lease viable) had been useful and the Friends were in agreement with the proposals.</p> <p>Winslow Charities: The next meeting would be 22nd. May.</p>
	<p>Correspondence: <i>Not dealt with under relevant agenda items. None</i></p>
	<p>Other Items for information:</p> <p>Meeting closed at 8.43pm.</p> <p>Signed: (Chairman) Date:</p>