

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL
held on **Thursday 21st March 2019**, at 7:00pm in the Council Chamber at 28 High Street, Winslow.

Present: Cllrs Wiseman (Chair), Castle, Chambers and Knight

Absent: Cllr Bishopp

Members of the Press and Public: One

Clerk: S Carolan

A19/05	Apologies for Absence: Cllr Bishopp
	Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation: None
A19/06	Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 11 th January 2019: the Committee RESOLVED that the minutes, as amended, be signed as a true record. Matters Arising: None
A19/07	Items deferred from previous meetings: Jubilee Games Area - The Committee noted recent information from Bucks CC regarding the relocation/replacement of the MUGA as part of the redevelopment of the Winslow Centre site, and a request for an urgent indication of where the new facility will be located. The Committee RESOLVED that, unless a more suitable location comes to light, the new facility be built at the Combined School. It was further RESOLVED that the existing MUGA be retained for future use if possible.
	Items delegated by Council: None
A19/08	<p>Clerk's Report: Members discussed the Clerks report on the operation of devolved services, street furniture, the playground, CCTV, outdoor gym, recreation ground, burial ground, allotments, and the Public Hall car park.</p> <p>Litter and Dog Bins - Members noted the need for replacement bins in various locations including the High Street and RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to spend the remaining budget on replacement bins.</p> <p>Weed Scrubber Rental - Members noted a report from Cllr Castle, and that Bucks CC has indicated that it will recommence weed spraying in April. RESOLVED that the planned hire of a weed scrubber be further deferred until the intention of the new Buckinghamshire Council is known.</p> <p>Burial Ground Memorial Request - The Committee considered a request for a memorial that includes a variety of artwork and RESOLVED to decline the request. It was further RESOLVED that the Clerk should have the discretion to decline future requests for memorials that are not in keeping with the dignity and/or uniformity for which the Burial Ground is noted.</p> <p>Town Map - Members discussed a much updated draft of the new map and noted Cllr Castle's list of further, minor revisions required to it. The Committee RESOLVED that: (a) a final draft be commissioned to include Cllr Castle's revisions, plus the addition of the Town's cycle routes; (b) that Cllrs Castle and Knight be authorised to sign off the completed map for publication; and (c) that £100 be approved from existing funds to cover the cost of the additional work.</p> <p>Best Kept Village Competition - The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to spend £25 on the entry fee for the competition, judging of which commences in June.</p> <p>Big Society Litter Picks - The Committee noted the decision of the Winslow Big Society Group (and others) to hold four events as part of the 'Great British Spring Clean', in addition to the two annual litter picks, and RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to spend up to £250 to equip the volunteers with litter pickers, etc.</p> <p>CCTV - Members noted the Clerk's Annual Report on the operation of the Council's CCTV system and the recommendation that it continue unchanged for a further year. The Committee RESOLVED: (a) that the Chairman should sign the updated Privacy Impact Assessment and (b) to recommend to Council that the system remain in operation for a further year.</p>
A19/09	Tomkins Park Steering Group - The Committee noted the list of recommendations from the Steering Group and RESOLVED: (a) That the Clerk be authorised to carry out works to make safe the newly-exposed margins of the Park, including works to trees, but keeping any landscaping to a minimum. (b) That the Clerk be authorised to level off clear the triangle of land at the end of the Public Hall car park in preparation for future planting. (c) That the Clerk should fit reflective markings only to those bollards that adjoin the car park and lane behind the Public Hall. (d) To install a further lift-out post to the main entrance, but not on Elmfields Gate at this time. (e) To defer a decision on replacing the double-sided notice board until the Council's embargo on new spending in the Park is lifted. (f) Not to progress the installation of a water supply at this time. (g) To allocate any remaining NHB funds to the provision of additional trees but to defer purchasing until the Council's embargo on new spending in the Park is lifted. (h) In principle to establish a 'Friends of the Park' group to assist the Council with future development of the Park, but to defer establishing it at this time.
A19/10	<i>At 8:59pm the Committee RESOLVED to suspend its Standing Orders</i>
	<p>Items for Information:</p> <p>Bucks CC Rights of Way Survey - The Chairman reported that he and the Chair of the Council's Development Committee have completed their response to the survey.</p> <p>Street Scene - Cllr Castle reported that she is discussing future maintenance of Bucks CC's land at Piccadilly with the Winslow Big Society Group</p> <p>No Cold Calling Zone - The Clerk presented a draft sign to members, who generally opposed the idea.</p>
	<i>Meeting closed 9:12pm</i>

Signed:

(Chairman) at a Meeting on

