

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL held on **Tuesday 21st January 2014**, at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber at 28 High Street, Winslow

	<p>Present: Cllrs Wiseman (Chairman), Castle, Chambers, and Eatwell. In attendance Cllr. Laws Apologies: Cllr Gibbs. Accepted Clerk: L Paterson There were no members of the public and no press present at the meeting.</p>
	Declarations of Interest: None
A14/01	<p>Minutes of meeting on 17th December 2013 agreed to be a true record and signed. Matters Arising: None</p>
	Items Deferred. None not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
	Items delegated by Council: None not covered elsewhere on the agenda
A14/02	<p>Street Furniture Welcome Signs: The Deputy Clerk advised the meeting that the signs would be ordered when the installation was approved by TfB. RESOLVED that the Deputy Clerk obtain quotations for the installation of the signs and accept the most suitable quote. RESOLVED to use the existing posts and to remove any plastic coating and paint to match the main signs. Road Signs: Members noted the condition of a number of road signs and requested the Deputy Clerk report it to TfB. Benches: The Deputy Clerk advised the meeting that the cycle path benches had been received. It was requested that the Deputy Clerk confirm with the relevant Authority that we have permission to install them.</p>
A14/03	<p>Landscaping and Trees Twinning Garden: Members requested the Deputy Clerk to obtain quotes for illuminating the war memorial and then investigate the feasibility of lighting this area. Station Road: The Deputy Clerk informed the meeting that a quote had been received and that the contractor advised that weedkilling is best carried out in the Spring. He would submit labour costs at that time. RESOLVED to approve a cost of up to £100 for the work to be carried out. The contractor must have the appropriate licence. Members noted a broken fence panel at the Station Road next to accountants. The Deputy Clerk to investigate and request repair.</p>
A14/04	<p>Burial Ground: Fly Tipping: Members noted that tyres had been dumped along Furze Lane (by new entrance of school) and requested the Deputy Clerk to report this to TfB.</p>
A14/05	<p>Public Hall Car Park: Area between the Public Hall & High Street: Members noted further concerns about parking in this area (previously bought up as item A13/85) and that the camper van was seemed to be being used for overnight sleeping plus the danger of the unshielded cable that runs from the owners house to the camper van. It was requested that the Deputy Clerk send a letter stating that no overnight sleeping and the Health & Safety risk of running the cable.</p>
A14/06	<p>Playground: Gates and Fencing: The protruding gate catches have now been adjusted. Consultation: The working party are to meet on Monday 27th January. Equipment: Members noted that Playgroup were willing to donate a peice of playground equipment. RESOLVED to accept this offer and leave the equipment in situ until the working party had finalised plans for the older children as well as investigating the feasibility of installation at the playground Signage: Signage was on order. The 'No Skateboarding' signs are to be fixed either above or below the 'No Dogs' signs when moved. The 'No Dogs' sign at Piccadilly should be moved to be fixed on the fence by the new path and if the posts were in good order to be stored for future use. The Deputy Clerk reported that the quote for Emergency Vehicle – Keep Clear sign had been received. It was agreed that the wording of the sign be changed to read 'vehicle' and not 'vehicular'. RESOLVED to order the signs if within budget and subject to this change of wording. Noted that a man hole cover had been left by the path contractor. The Deputy Clerk to arrange removal,</p>

A14/07	<p>Outdoor Fitness Area: Members considered quotations for the screen fencing. RESOLVED to approve the lowest quote and progress the work.</p> <p>RESOLVED to approve installation of fence panel at High St end up to a cost of £200.</p> <p>RESOLVED to approve the following work if within the OFFA project budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjust the ground bolts at Piccadilly Gate. • To purchase two additional opening hours signs for the gates to the OFFA. • Repair the Elmfields Gate playground gate. • To purchase a litter bin for the OFFA area. Blue to match Public Hall Car Park. • To investigate a suitable bench for discussion at the next meeting. <p>The committee requested an update on the manufacturers sign which includes the notice on studded footwear. <i>Cllr Eatwell left the meeting.</i></p> <p>Transition Orchard: Members heard the recommendation of the working party on the Transition Orchard. The proposal was that initially three fruit trees be planted in the area by the side wall of the Baptist Chapel and this would be reviewed in 12-18 months time. If the Transition Group agree to this proposal, the working party would like to be informed of the variety, growth spread and root stock of the trees before planting went ahead. If the Transition Group decide not to go ahead with the planting, the working party would then ask the Amenities Committee to undertake the planting.</p> <p>Mounds: Members considered the mounds and how they should be landscaped. It was agreed that this matter be brought up again in the Spring.</p>
A14/08	<p>Reports of Outside Bodies BSNAG: Minutes had been circulated.</p>
	<p>Correspondence: War Memorials Trust: Noted the service available but agreed that no work was required at this time.</p>
	<p>Other Items for information: Trees by British Legion Hall: Members noted that two of the trees require removal and a branch was leaning on the roof.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 9.15pm.</p> <p>Next meeting : 18th February 2014</p> <p>Signed: (Chairman) Date:</p>