

MINUTES of a MEETING of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** of WINSLOW TOWN COUNCIL
held on **Thursday 21st July 2022**, at 28 High Street, Winslow, at 7pm

Present: Cllrs Cawdell, Castle, Cornell, Hamley and Onley **Absent:** None **Clerk:** S Carolan
Also Present: Cllr Wiseman **Members of the press and public:** None

Apologies for Absence: None

Declarations of Interest and Applications for Dispensation: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

A22/22 The Committee RESOLVED that the minutes of its meeting on Thursday 19th May 2022 be signed as a true record.

Matters Delegated by Council: None

Street Scene

Members noted plans for both the Station Road and Barbara Brown gardens to be refurbished in the coming year and discussed the need for ongoing maintenance.

A22/23 The Committee RESOLVED to recommend to Council that it explores the need for a horticultural assistant, either in-house or on contract, to assist with these gardens, Tomkins Park, and the delivery of devolved services..

Members noted a request for a replacement litter bin on Vicarage Road to prevent crows from removing dog bags from the existing open-top bin.

A22/24 The Committee RESOLVED that an additional dog bin be installed close to St Albans Road.

Recreation Ground

The Committee considered a request from Winslow Sports Club that dogs on leads be allowed in the Recreation Ground, and the recommendations of the Clerk regarding additional dog bins and amended signage.

A22/25 The Committee RESOLVED that: (a) dogs on leads be allowed into the recreation ground once the necessary bins and signage are in place; (b) an additional dog bin be installed in the recreation ground at the High Street gate; (c) that the dog bin close to the Piccadilly entrance be relocated closer to the gate; (d) that the redundant bench near the Piccadilly gate be removed; (e) that the open top bin near the Piccadilly Gate be replaced by one of a standard design, closer to the gate; (f) that the small bin at the outdoor gym be replaced with a bin of a standard design; and (g) that the necessary modifications be made to the recreation ground signs.

Burial Ground

Members noted a report from the burial ground extension steering group, and that advice is being taken on an application for change of use.

A22/26 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk should prepare an estimate of the costs to be incurred to submit an application.

Members discussed a recommendation by the Clerk for the cleaning and refurbishment of the pagoda and furniture.

A22/27 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk be authorised to spend up to £800 on cleaning, repairs and re-finishing of the woodwork.

CCTV

Members discussed options to improve the operation of the current system.

A22/28 The Committee RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to the Police & Crime Commissioner regarding police access CCTV data..

Tomkins Park

The Committee noted: (a) the planting of the Jubilee tree by Cllr Wiseman and Tony Perkins; (b) the completion of the annual safety works by the Council's arboricultural contractor; and (c) the discovery of two further dead or badly damaged trees, that will require removal and remedial work respectively.

A22/29 The Committee authorised the Clerk to spend £1,260 on further safety-related tree works.

The Committee noted progress made by Cllr Cawdell on updated signage for the Park, and that she will circulate completed drafts in due course.

Correspondence

Members noted correspondence from Winslow Bowls Club requesting the approval of additional signage.

A22/30 The Committee RESOLVED that three further signs reading: "*This Bowling Green is RESERVED for the use of Winslow Bowls Club and invited guests – Winslow Town Council*" be permitted on the condition that they be: (a) no larger than 297mm x 210mm, (b) installed within the bowling green hedge, and (c) kept at a height below the top of the hedge.

Items for Information

The forthcoming works to the Public Hall will require that part of the Public Hall Car Park adjacent to the British Legion is used as a work area. Neighbours have been informed.

Cllr Wiseman updated members on the tree and ornamental steel surround gifted to the Town by the residents of Cours.

The next scheduled meeting is 7pm, Thursday 15th September 2022.

The chairman closed the meeting at 8:40pm.

Signed: _____ (Chairman) at a Meeting held on