



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Cllr Watts (Chair) and Cllrs Brentor, Randall and Roberts.  
Bev Cornish, Parish Clerk.

Two members of the public were present.

**01.22 Election of Chair**

Cllr Brentor proposed, Cllr Randall seconded and it was RESOLVED to elect Cllr Watts as Chair of the Committee for 2022/23.

**02.22 Public Question Time**

A member of the public spoke on the issue of bins. She asked whether the approach should be not to have any bins which might mean people would take their rubbish home. She said she noticed that Redlynch had no bins at all on the B3080 from Ashley Grange, along The Ridge and even at Hale Newsagents.

**03.22 Apologies**

The Clerk advised that an apology had been received from Cllr Mace due to holiday.

**04.22 Minutes**

The Committee RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25th April 2022 as a correct record. They were subsequently signed by the Chair.

**05.22 Declarations of Interest:**

- a. To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers.**

No declarations of interest were received.

- b. To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered.**

The Clerk advised that no dispensation requests had been received.

**06.22 Matters Arising and Actions Taken**

The Committee RESOLVED to note the matters arising and actions taken from the Minutes:

**48.18 Emergency Plan:** Council approved its format at the July meeting it is on my task list to complete for adoption.

**58.18 Defibrillator in Charlton:** The defibrillator has been ordered following the 50 percent grant received from the Southern Wiltshire Area Board. A quote has been accepted for it to be painted and the process is in place to obtain the money from the grant and assess the electricity before the Community Heartbeat Trust electrician can install it. Currently there is an issue with how electricity can be trailed into the box but it is thought that this will be able to come through the floor.

**38.20: Street Names Signs:** Replacement sign for Warrens Lane awaited.

**40.20 Refurbishment of cremated remains are at Downton Cemetery:** Quotes are being sought on this with the Administrative Officer meeting one contractor last week and the Clerk will be meeting with another next week.

**09.21 Downton Memorial Centre:** Quotes are being obtained now for roofing and guttering.

**11.21 Work to Moot Lane Corner:** The tree works and stump grinding have been completed.

**15.21 In Bloom Planter Signs:** Not currently a priority but will be chased when officers have more time.

**26.21 Cemetery Fencing:** Statement is on the Clerk's task list to complete when she has more time.

**53.21 Burials at Downton Cemetery** The investigation into the eligibility provided by other town and parishes is ongoing. A report will be prepared for the next meeting of the Committee.

**56.21 Street Name Restoration Project:** This was reported at the last PC meeting.

**65.21 All Saints Charlton Lychgate – item is on the agenda**

**67.21 Playground inspection issues** Leigh Bush has installed the pedestrian gate to the Moot Lane entrance to the Moot Lane Recreation Ground in oak and repaired the slide in the Memorial Gardens

**70.21 Benches** 4 benches at the cemetery have been painted and refurbished. It is suggested that the bin at the entrance be replaced as it isn't large enough.

#### **07.22 Public Litter Bins**

Following a discussion, Cllr Watts proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that:

- Idverde be asked to ensure that all litter bins are emptied completely on the days when their operatives visit the parish.
- The 2 bins soon to become available from the rear of the Co-op be considered for relocation to outside the Memorial Centre and beside the flood defence wall at Iron Bridge after a period of monitoring to establish whether they are frequently full and overflowing and a second bin is needed.
- Look into purchasing stickers for bins asking members of the public not to add more litter to the bin if it is full and to encourage them to take it home.

#### **08.22 All Saints Charlton Lychgate**

Following a discussion on the surveyor's report, Cllr Watts proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that a quote be sought from a specialist in oak frameworks for the suggested works as outlined in the surveyor's report so that the appropriate budget could be allocated to the work should this be need after discussions with the Church Warden and Parochial Church Council.

### **09.22 Pop-Up Youth Café**

Following a discussion, Cllr Watts proposed, Cllr Brentor seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation be made to the Parish Council that subject to consultation with the covenant holders of the Moot Lane Recreation Ground:

- (i) Two visits from the Pop-Up Youth Café to the Moot Lane Recreation Ground in July and August be approved to provide activities for the young people of the parish;
- (ii) The sum of £250 be allocated from Earmarked Reserves towards its provision;
- (iii) An application for a grant be made to the Southern Wiltshire Area Board to be taken from its youth funding budget.

### **10.22 Flower Planters in Moot Lane**

Councillors noted the sponsorship by Ashley Grange Nursing Home of the three flower planters in Moot Lane and a contribution of £150 towards the purchase of plants and compost. Cllr Brentor suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Ashley Grange once the monies had been received.

### **11.22 Next meeting**

The Committee RESOLVED that the next meeting be held at the Memorial Centre on Monday 22nd August 2022 at 7.30 pm.

With no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.