

WINSFORD TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the **Open Spaces committee** held remotely on **Thursday 5 November 2020.**

PRESENT: Councillors Barwell; Blackmore; Gaskill and Jump

ALSO, PRESENT: Mr Cornel Hrisca-Munn, Senior Access Officer, CWAC, Mr John Malam (Friends of Winsford Town Park), and Several residents of Winsford.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs E Haspell (Administrative Officer)
Dr M Bailey (Town Clerk/Finance Officer)
Ms S Bacegalupo (Events and Projects Support Officer)

1	APOLOGIES	An apology was received from Cllr S Mellor.
2	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 OCTOBER 2020	The minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2020 were approved.
3	MATTERS ARISING/ACTION LOG	<p>The following items were raised from the minutes/action log.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Dog area - It was agreed to consult on the location for the dog area and to look at examples elsewhere. ii. King George VI – It was reported that the repair to the slide had been undertaken. iii. Double gates/Wharton allotments – It was agreed to ask CWAC for permission and to ask Highways about acquiring one of the parking spaces. It was felt that a number of potential projects should be pursued with a view to applying for grant funding, within the timelines. iv. Monthly checklist/Clean Parks campaign/Trees from Cheshire West and Chester council It was agreed to defer these items until the next meeting. v. Wet pour at Leaf lane play area – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get quotes for wet pour and drainage, • Put together an application to FCC community foundation, (formerly Wren).

		<p>vi. Town Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To repair the equipment under warranty at Town Park, • To consult on accessible play equipment and to investigate funding opportunities, • To liaise with Cornel Hrisca-Munn, Senior Access Officer, CWAC regarding the design proposals.
4	SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS	<p>RESOLVED:- That standing orders be suspended to allow the meeting to continue after the closure of the meeting at 7.00 pm.</p>
5	ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION	<p>i. <u>Winsford Town Park</u> See above. <u>FOWTP</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permission was sought for the FOWTP to replace a bench which had been vandalised. • Permission was sought for a storage container and for it to be positioned on Clough road; • Permission was sought for some soil improver; • Permission was sought for the purchase of some bulbs. The Clerk asked for more details and for the cost of the bulbs. <p>ii. <u>Leaf Lane</u> See above.</p> <p>iii. <u>King George VI</u> See above.</p> <p>iv. <u>Wharton allotments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The issue of drainage was raised and a request was made to create a pond in the area which was once used as a wildlife area by the school.
6	ANY OTHER ISSUES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change and the waterways – To set a task and finish group up to look at this. • Monthly checklist – That this item is deferred to the next meeting. That there is a more specific checklist for each park. • Clean parks campaign – To defer until the next meeting. • Trees from Cheshire West and Chester council – It was reported that the Clerk was

		<p>waiting for an update on the matter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allotments inspection – It was reported that an allotments inspection was due and needed to be arranged.
7	ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Town Park noticeboard – an update was asked for. It was felt that this item should be consulted on.
8	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	Thursday 3 rd December 2020 at 6.00 pm.

CHAIR