

**A RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING OF  
ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT 7.00PM ON MONDAY 25 JULY 2011  
AT GLOBE HOUSE, ALCESTER (Seggs Lane entrance)**

**Present**

J Bunting, L Cumberbatch, Y Hine, M Cargill, A Brown, C Neal-Sturgess, E Payne, N Knapman, W Malin, C Wright (Clerk)

**Public Participation at Discretion of Chair**

1 member of the public was in attendance

**1. Apologies**

Cllr Adams

**2. Declarations of Interest**

*No declarations of interest were received.*

**3. Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 27 June 2011 having been circulated were proposed to be accepted by Cllr Malin, seconded by Cllr Payne and approved by the committee.

**4. Recreation Facilities**

The following reports were received:

The Clerk reported that the Pavilion development was still on schedule for completion in August, the floors were being prepared for concreting and all the scaffolding had been removed. Outside stone and tarmac is a concern and consideration should be made to urgently improve the position once the contractors have finished on site.

Cllr Bunting reported that following the play area inspection he and Cllr Kenyon had visited the play areas and listed the work required to get them back up to scratch.

This work is to be costed and prioritised and schedules of work made out accordingly.

Cllr Bunting asked members to consider the future vision of the recreation fields in order to put together projects that could be put forward for funding from agencies or for planning gain when opportunities became apparent, a small work group was suggested.

**5. Ground Maintenance**

The following reports were received

A proposition for extending the grass cutting contract is due to go before full council Concern was raised on the state of the footpaths on Conway Fields

Bigger dog fouling notices are to be considered for selected areas costs are to be sought. New dog bins are also to be looked at for various areas and costs are to be confirmed.

**6. Environment**

It was agreed that the Environment Sub Committee should be formed in September to meet on a Friday under the leadership of Cllr Nina Knapman.

No further reports were received.

**7. Allotments**

The following report was received from Cllr Hine.

Allotment Inspections had been completed and gift vouchers for the best allotments were being purchased for awards to be given at the Alcester Horticultural shown in September.

The Allotment Association is being kept on hold until further progress has been made with respect to leases with the landlords of the respective allotment sites.

## **8. Cemetery**

The following reports were received

Cemetery Management and Maintenance remains unchanged.

A Vision for the Cemetery was considered and the paths were deemed to be a priority at the moment, different methods of forming the paths are to be looked at and cost implications are to be sought.

The Clerk reported that following correspondence with The Coventry Diocese Registrars Office that permission to use the Old Cemetery for new burials was not needed and we could now continue to draw up plans, advice was given regarding possible disturbance of remains.

There were no Memorials and Inscriptions to be considered.

## **9. Items for Recommendation to Full Council**

There were no new items for Council to consider.

## **10. Terms of Reference and Current Projects**

The Terms of reference of the Recreation and Open spaces Committee were not ready for approval

## **11. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to bring to the attention of the Committee.

## **12. Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 22 August 2011 7.00pm at Globe House