

**A RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING OF  
ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD AT 7.00PM ON  
MONDAY 23 JANUARY 2012 AT GLOBE HOUSE, ALCESTER  
(Seggs Lane entrance)**

**Present**

Cllr. Bunting (Chair), Cllr. Adams, Cllr. Payne, Cllr. Brown, Cllr. Hine, J Rowlatt  
(Committee Clerk)

**Public Participation at Discretion of Chair**

No members of the public were present.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr. Cargill, Cllr. Malin, Cllr Knapman

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**3. Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> October having been circulated were proposed to be accepted and approved by the committee.

**4. Recreation Facilities**

a) The Pavilion development – John Bunting reported work to the patio is complete. A quotation from Walls & Ceilings of £7200 + VAT for interior works to be accepted and the Mezzanine floor has been ordered. A builder is being sought to carry out the work. A specification for the lighting is needed. All works to be completed by the end of March 2012. As there is no provision in the budget for parking it was asked if Section 106 funds could be sought. Cllr Adams asked if the monies pledged from WCC and Vision Alcester for the skate park could be swapped to use at the Pavilion.

b) Play Areas

i. Conway Fields – Quotes for playground equipment were circulated. The climbing frame has been repaired and 12 new trees have been planted. A quote of £5500 for post, rail and pig wire fencing to include 2 gates has been obtained and it was agreed to accept it and enclose the play area

ii. Collins Way – Still needs to be looked at, Cllr Bunting to inspect.

iii. Moorfields – Check needs to be made to find out if repairs to the big gate have been carried out

iv. Bleachfields – Still some outstanding work. Cllr Bunting to inspect.

v. Stratford Road Recreation Area development – Tree that has fallen across the river has been reported to Environment Agency.

vi. Conway Vision – A decision needs to be made as to the siting of the skatepark and whether or not a football pitch sized playing field was required.

**5. Ground Maintenance**

a) Grasscutting – Completed nothing to report

b) Footpaths –It was agreed that re-surfacing of paths were needed for safety and ease of access round the town. Question asked was if 106 money would be available for this?

C) Dog fouling – Jan to find out about stencils and pass info to Community Committee.

## **6. Environment**

Nothing to report – Meeting due to take place immediately after Recreation Meeting.

## **7. Allotments**

12 Payments still outstanding – reminders to be sent this week. Two plots have been given up and are to be offered to top of the waiting list this week.

## **8. Cemetery**

To receive a report on the following:

- a) Concerns were raised over the standard of the footpaths and the security of the metal gate. An inspection is required
- b) Removal of the rose bushes has started. Cllr Brown confirmed her idea for the Cemetery to have wild flower area at the back by the flood bank
- c) Cemetery Capacity and Future Cemetery - provision around 600.
- d) Memorial for Lampitt refused but subsequently agreed. Memorial for Holder agreed. Memorial for Cole agreed.

## **9. Vision for Alcester**

No report received.

## **10. Section 106 Future Projects**

The importance of being ready to proceed at the outset requires urgent decisions regarding siting of play areas and suitable equipment as is the need to find out if provision for footpaths and cemetery provision qualifies.

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

Accept quotation and fence a dog free area at Conway Fields if funds available.

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

To review the Terms of Reference of the Recreation and Open Spaces Committee

## **13. Correspondence**

Quotes for playground equipment were circulated.

## **14. Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 27 February 2012 7.00pm at Globe House