

**A RECREATION ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF ALCESTER TOWN COUNCIL WAS HELD ON TUESDAY 17
MARCH 2015 AT 7.00PM AT GLOBE HOUSE, ALCESTER (Seggs Lane
entrance)**

Present

Cllr. Cumberbatch, Cllr. Bunting, Cllr. Adams, Cllr. E Payne, Cllr. S Payne, Cllr. Hine, Cllr. Brown, Chris Wright and Jan Rowlatt.

Public Participation at Discretion of Chair

There were no members of the public present.

A G E N D A (Standing Orders apply)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Cargill, Cllr. Kenyon and Cllr. Knapman (retrospectively).

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 20 January 2015 were agreed and signed.

4. Strategic Objectives and Aims for 2014/15

Cllr. Cumberbatch said that he had reviewed certain items and he would bring them up at Full Council.

5. Play Areas Equipment/Other Recreational Facilities

It was agreed to purchase a piece of "inclusive" play equipment (gravity rider) and bucket seat swings. The new seating, youth shelter and fitness equipment have all been ordered. Cllr. Brown offered to help arrange for plaques for the benches. The Committee agreed to delegate the decision of where to place the items to the Chairman, the Clerk and Cllr. Bunting. It was suggested that the possibility of the shelter having wifi should be investigated. The sites for the benches and fitness equipment will be marked and any groundwork carried out when delivery dates are confirmed. Cllr. E Payne asked for an update on the skatepark and current sales on the Redrow scheme suggest approximately 20+ weeks. It was agreed to remove the wall around the tree by the MUGA.

6. Trees & Footpaths

Warwickshire County Council have agreed to repair the Riverside Walk and Cllr. Gittus is to be contacted to find out when the work will be carried out. Our workforce are carrying out repairs to the paths at Jubilee Fields. The Old Railway Line – Investigations are being made between Secco, WCC and ourselves with a view to clearing up the area.

7. Environmental Matters

No report was received on the night due to unavoidable circumstances. A report was received and circulated the next day.

Cllr. Bunting said that the Community Orchard had been tidied up nicely but suggested that any strimming should be done well away from the trees.

8. Allotments

There are 2 persons on the waiting list and 1 seemingly abandoned plot which will be allocated when notice has been served. A request for a shed has been refused on the grounds of security and an alternative design recommended. Cllr. Cumberbatch suggested an inspection following a report of chippings being dumped at Bleachfield South site.

9. Cemetery

The new notice board has been put up in the Cemetery. All of the memorials submitted were approved. A request to place a commemorative bench in the cemetery was approved subject to an agreed specification.

10. Bins

Cllr. Eric Payne is going to contact Stratford on Avon District to ask them to relocate a bin on Old Stratford Road to a more appropriate location. The Clerk said there was a budget for additional bins year on year.

11. Budget

There is a budget surplus.

12. Correspondence

None

13. Propositions to Full Council

There were no propositions to Full Council.

14. Date of Next Meeting

To be decided.

J Rowlatt - Clerk to ATC Recreation, Environment & Open Spaces Committee