

Open Spaces Sub Group Meeting

Minutes of the Open Spaces Sub Group meeting on Monday 15th July 2019

The meeting started with a site visit to Vaughans Lane Play Area CH3 5XF at 6pm, followed by a visit to Old Laundry Corner

PART ONE

1	<p>Present: Frank Auty, Cllrs Peter Bulmer, Sue Rigby and Keith Scargill Apologies: Cllrs Jo Evans and Rick Nieto In attendance: Kath Lloyd, Clerk</p>
2	<p>Declarations of interest: none declared</p>
3	<p>Minutes of last meeting and matters arising: the minutes of the meeting on 10th June 2019 were scrutinised and the following matters arising identified for further action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Queens Rd field: quotes for descriptive signage, dog clean up signs and new signage at Josh's Jumps to be sought - Dulverton Ave: Tree surgeon to be consulted following meeting with resident, new signage to be investigated - Employment status of Maintenance Officer clarified with CHaLC and no further action needed - Clerk will approach CWaC and Sanctuary as a first attempt to map ownership of land in the parish
4	<p>Vaughans Lane and Old Laundry Corner visit: the following items were proposed for action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Both internal and external hedges need trimming – Clerk to contact Martin Stokes who trimmed it last year, leaving one of the Ash saplings in place and shaping it at the top - The Maintenance Officer has fixed the wooden gateway and chained the vehicle access - Bishops High School students have weeded and planted some lavender bushes and also completed a litter pick - The outcome of the lottery bid is still unknown but Cllr Evans is also investigating Urenco funding and will report back - Playground markings in centre of Old Laundry Corner – quote received but clarity needed - During Sept/Oct, the growth at the bases of the trees at Old Laundry Corner will need cutting back. Maintenance Officer could complete. -
5	<p>Correspondence: the following items have been received and actioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A report from a resident in Barkhill Road about overgrown trees – reported to CWaC no 4871726. Actioned by CWaC, trees trimmed and checked for safety. - A report from a resident in Shed Lane about overgrown trees and shrubs. Reported to CWaC no 4868371. Waiting for inspector to visit site. - Report from resident in Adder Hill about overgrown trees, report no 4871785. Actioned by CWaC. - Complaints by several residents about the overgrown state of Sainsburys roundabout, report no 4871767. Waiting for inspector to visit site.

6	Date and Time of next meeting: PLEASE NOTE ADDITIONAL MEETING ON Monday 19 th August at 6pm at Caldly Valley (Margaret Fitzgerald from Caldly Valley Church to be invited to assist in planning for open space)
7	Information exchange: Cllr Bulmer has spoken to Elizabeth Bulmer from Great Boughton Library who is planning a history walk in the area and would like to investigate the cost of history signs around the parish, particularly at Old Laundry Corner, Caldly Valley, Dulverton Ave and Queens Rd, similar to the one at Thackeray Drive Play Area. F. Auty reported that there has been a street light (no 9) on Green Lane which has remained on for the last few weeks. Reported to CWaC no 4873879 John Tacon (co-opted member of Communications & Events Sub group), has asked for members to consider the use of some of the parish council's open spaces for Incredible Edibles https://www.incredibleedible.org.uk/ and to consider local biodiversity issues eg wild flower patches, insects etc. The sub group agreed that this should be on the agenda for the next sub group meeting. J.Tacon has also asked the Clerk to ask for an additional litter bin at the junction of Pearl Lane/A41. Clerk will contact CWaC.