

Open Spaces Sub Group Meeting on Thursday 7th November 2019 at Vicars Cross Community Centre

MINUTES

PART ONE

1	<p>Present: Cllrs Peter Bulmer, Sue Rigby and Frank Auty Apologies: Cllr Jo Evans In attendance: Malcolm Bate, Maintenance Officer, 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 14th October were agreed as accurate with outstanding items:</p> <p>RESOLVED: Clerk to write to the Canal & River Trust to ask permission for the council to trim/cut back the willow tree at the allotments</p>
4	<p>Caldy Valley Planning: the date of the first Friends of Caldly Valley Meadow on Monday 18th Nov at 6pm immediately before the parish council meeting, was noted and an initial agenda agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introductions 2. Priorities 3. Funding 4. Next steps <p>A bulb planting session will be held at Caldly Valley Meadow on Sat 7th Dec between 10 – 12noon, Cllr Bulmer has purchased the bulbs and the Clerk will publicise.</p>
5	<p>Planting: the saplings from the Woodland Trust have arrived – 120 mixed hawthorn etc. It was agreed that some be used at Dulverton Ave, to block some thin parts of the hedges, some can go to Vaughans Lane and others could be used at Caldly Valley Meadow, Vicars Cross Community Centre and some at Queens Rd Field.</p> <p>RESOLVED: Clerk to create a schedule of planting/litter picking/community sessions and circulate.</p>
6	<p>Play areas: Malcolm gave a verbal report following his recent onsite visits and the Clerk shared recent facebook feedback about Old Laundry Corner. RESOLVED: Clerk to share written reports and Malcolm to visit Old Laundry Corner and feedback findings.</p> <p>The play equipment at Vaughans Lane is on order and should be fitted before Christmas, Malcolm will deliver the cycle racks when the contractors are on site.</p> <p>There was a suggestion that the black litter bins in the play areas could be painted rainbow colours to draw attention to them RESOLVED: Clerk to check with CWaC</p>
7	<p>Correspondence: none that needs action</p>

8	Date and Time of next meeting: Thursday 5 th Dec at 6pm PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE
9	Information exchange: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="217 282 1477 387">1. At the last parish council meeting, it was suggested that the groundworks contract be re-tendered and the potential contractors asked to provide measurements. The Clerk and Chair will follow this up.<li data-bbox="217 387 1477 461">2. Frank Auty and Jacky Creswick (from Huntington Parish Council) have attended recent Tree Council training in Birkenhead

Theme: Thriving Communities				
	What will success look like?	What?	How?	When?
C	1.A wide range of social activities that meet the needs of the community	1.6 Maintain and improve the quality and availability of the Pearl Lane allotments for the use of local residents and the promotion of healthy eating campaigns		
	2.A pleasant and sustainable environment for all	2.1 Identify 'beauty spots' 2.2 Organise community impact days to improve biodiversity – i.e. wildflower meadow planting 2.3 Undertake a land ownership mapping exercise (CWAC, Highways Agency England and other) 2.4 Produce ideas for environmental enhancements 2.5 Developing and supporting Friends of Groups Eg. Queens Road, Caldly Valley Meadow and others. 2.6 Introduce "mile markers" to encourage local residents to walk or cycle 2.7 Work with the library service to support the regular provision of history walks in the parish	SE & Clerk to run social media promotions to identify beauty spots and areas that need impact days Andrew Redfern CWaC is undertaking mapping exercise First meeting to be called of Caldly Valley Meadow Friends group PB & Clerk to meet with Elizabeth Bentley from library to tie in mile markers with history walks	Before end of 2019
Theme: Thriving Residents				
E	1.Great Boughton will be a safe, inclusive and welcoming place for vulnerable adults and young children to live	1.5 Ensure good quality and varied play & recreational facilities for all ages	Rolling programme of inspection, repair and improvement of play areas: Thackeray Drive – June 2018 Vaughans Lane – Nov 2019 Queens Rd Field – July 2020 Caldly Valley – new swings installed	Routine inspections on monthly basis. Statutory RoSPA Annual inspection Sept each year

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