

WINCANTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 13th FEBRUARY 2017 IN THE TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Councillors Ellard, Tudgay, Vagg, Cook, Hearne, Walters, D Smith, Hibberd

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

5985 APOLOGIES

None

5986 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Ellard declared an interest as the Secretary of the Cricket Club.

5987 RECREATION GROUNDS

The condition of the shelter in Cale Park was raised and Cllr Tudgay commented on a short term plan to ensure the structure is safe and a longer term plan to replace. WM Supervisor to chase up quote for short term work. It was agreed to refer the long term plan to the Cale Park Working Group to establish exactly what structure should be used.

Cllr Wray has started work on repairing the toilet in Cale Park. It was discussed and agreed that work would ideally be completed at the same time as the completion of the castle and slide.

Cllr Vagg reported that she had been offered support for a Troll sculptor for under the new bridge in Cale Park.

WM Supervisor raised correspondence from C.A.T.C.H. that a survey would soon be completed for five suggested project on or in the River Cale, in Cale Park. The survey would then allow the group to seek permission from the Environment Agency to carry out the work and then proposals submitted to Council for approval.

5988 CEMETERY AND GRAVEYARD

No burials in January.

5989 REPORTING OF FAULTS AND CONCERNS

Cllr Ellard discussed removing 'Reporting of Faults' from future meetings and that all faults be directly report to the Town Clerk and the WM Supervisor, Council agreed.

Cllr Walters reported a blocked drain just to the right at the top of the steps leading from Overton to the top Car Park near Carrington Way. WM Supervisor to investigate and report back.

Correspondence was received regarding the condition of the Bus Shelter on Common Road, who owned it and the possibility of it being replaced. The WM Supervisor reported that the area around the shelter had already been tidied up and it was agreed that the WM Supervisor would investigate materials to improve the shelter.

A 'Priority List', for Streetscene had been submitted by the WM Supervisor following a request from Chris Cooper, Streetscene Manager at the SSDC Annual Parish and Town Meeting.

WM Supervisor gave an update on the paving area on the corner of the High Street and Carrington Way. Correspondence from Cllr David Fothergill explained that SCC were working with SSDC and were exploring a solution.

WM Supervisor raised the matter of concerns over Dog Fouling, A leaflet was presented for Councillors to look at and agree that they could be used to post through doors where particular fouling was particularly bad. Concerns were raised over the leaflet and it was decided to discuss specific cases on an individual basis and deal with in the same way. A meeting is planned to be held on Wednesday 15th February 2017 between the Town Clerk, Cllr Ellard, Principal Environmental Protection Officer, SSDC Dog Warden and the WM Supervisor to discuss the matter. Cllr Ellard raised the matter of empowering the Works staff to be able to enforce offenders, Cllr Tudgay expressed concerns about including this in the job role of the Council's employees.

WM Supervisor read out an email from a town resident requesting a grit bin for Kingswell Rise. Council responded that the estate had not been adopted by WTC.

5990 TOWN ISSUES

WM Supervisor reported high littering issues to the south of the A303 Bridge at the bottom of Common road and Moor Lane. This had been added to the 'Priority List', submitted to Streetscene.

5991 ACTION LIST

Cllr Cook reported that C.A.T.C.H. are planning to apply the final coat of paint to Hawkers Bridge on 20th May 2017.

Cllr Tudgay reported that Cllr Ellard and he would be meeting with Gary Slade and the Town Clerk on Tuesday 14th February 2017 to work out the logistics of the Cale Park Play Area temporary closure for the work to install the slide and castle.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Wrixons View

The meeting ended at 9pm

Signed

Dated: 27th February 2017