

PAULTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parks and Amenities Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 12th February 2019 at 6.00pm held in the meeting room, Village Hall, Paulton.

PRESENT: Councillors T Bridgeman, H Howson, A Lyons, P McSherry and H Warren.

IN ATTENDANCE: Jo Swift – Clerk, Paul Davison (staff) and Councillor M Stevens.

153. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillors S Long and B Stevens.

154. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor L Hardman spoke about 2 residents that attended the B&NES Councillor surgery and raised 2 concerns. The issue concerning the trees at the Cemetery has been dealt with as the Clerk had previously explained about the Parish Councils tree Management Plan. The other concern raised was on the agenda (agenda item 9).

155. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was none.

156. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved - that the minutes of the Parks and Amenities committee meeting held on 18th December 2018 are approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

157. OFFICAL OPENING OF THE BMX TRACK

The intention is for local young people, who use the track, to open it and take photographs. A ribbon will be provided for the opening. It was suggested to organise next week because it is half term. Photographs/publicity will go onto the Parish Councils website, Facebook and local press.

158. VILLAGE TREE PLANTING

It was suggested to plant some trees by the bowls club to replace the ones that have recently had to be taken down. It was mentioned that of the whips previously planted in the Miners Recreation Ground, only 2 took.

The 2 trees that have been felled in the Memorial Park need to be replaced. It was suggested that Terry speak to the school to get them involved in tree planting.

Resolved – that the groundsman organises 2 replacement native trees and identifies potential areas for planting.

159. CALOO SHELTER SURFACE

The surface underneath the shelter is always going to be a problem, grass will never grow, due to no light and it is well used. The various surface options were discussed – more matting could be purchased and installed by the ground staff but there were

concerns that it might be taken up. The preferred surface is wet pour this would cost in the region of £4,000.

Resolved – that for now the surface will be left as it is but it will be monitored.

160. SOMERSET WAY – VEGETATION

(iii) This is not going to be possible, so the hedge has been kept against the fence. It was felt that if the hedge was moved it could possibly die. It is not been brought in line as previously suggested and will be left as it is for now.

(iv) This area will be kept wild for wildlife.

161. CEMETERY/ALLOTMENT FENCING

In the past the police have advised against a fence due to visibility. Low hedging or a post and rail fencing was suggested. It was decided that hedging was the preferred option.

Resolved – to measure and cost the price of Yew hedging.

162. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Parks Committee is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 23rd April 2019 at 6.00pm**

Meeting ended at 6.40 pm.

Signed.....
(Chairman)