



**TEWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES

*of the*

Environment & Amenities Committee meeting  
held remotely via Zoom on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2020 at 6pm

**Present:** Cllrs S Raywood (Chair), J Raywood, H Davis, P Aldridge, M Sztymiak, H Bowman, P Devine

**In attendance:** J King (Assistant Town Clerk)

**E&A 20/056 To receive apologies for absence**  
Apologies received from Cllr Fowler

**E&A 20/057 To record declarations of interest**  
None received.

**E&A 20/058 To consider requests for dispensations**  
None received.

**E&A 20/059 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020**  
It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020. Proposed by Cllr Davis, seconded by Cllr Aldridge.

**E&A 20/060 Matters arising from the minutes – for information only**  
**19/015 Gander Lane Toilets** – ongoing.  
**19/036 Community right to bid** — ongoing.  
**19/082 Drinking water refill point** - ongoing.  
**19/082 Street Cleansing** – future agenda item.  
**19/088 Bin outside one stop** – approached for funding – ongoing.  
**20/011 Ownership of trees at Derek Graham** – GCC contacted – ongoing.  
**20/013 Guide to reading the accounts** – ongoing.  
**20/042 Replacement of signs at Derek Graham** – agreed location with Severn Trent -complete  
**20/045 Contact Tirlbrook & Tewkesbury School re: Derek Graham** - ongoing  
**20/045 Wooden Seesaw for Derek Graham** – Price requested – ongoing  
**20/054 Noticeboard policy** – will be circulated shortly - ongoing

**E&A 20/061 To receive correspondence relating to the Environment & Amenities Committee**  
Correspondence was received from Tewkesbury Park Residents' Association regarding the installation of the bin on the Slingett. A decision on the final location is still required between TPRA and Ubico and the bin will be installed following this.

**E&A 20/062 Public Participation**  
There was no public participation.



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**E&A 20/063 To review the work programme and agree any actions**

The work programme was reviewed.

Cllr S Raywood expressed thanks for assistance given with the street furniture condition check that has recently been completed. The results will now be reviewed, and a list of priorities drawn up.

The Assistant Town Clerk advised that the noticeboard for the Severn Ham has arrived and is ready for installation. The footpath signs on the top of the current noticeboard post will be removed temporarily and a new post for them will be obtained and installed.

Cllr S Raywood advised that the legislation for the removal of business rate on public toilets is now in the House of Lords.

Cllr Aldridge advised that there may be some temporary movement of street furniture required to accommodate the proposed outdoor hand sanitiser stations.

**E&A 20/064 To receive updates on Play Areas and agree any actions**

**i. Derek Graham Memorial Park**

Initial response to questionnaire – additional covered seating and bins requested. There was also significant support for a year-round MUGA surface.

**ii. Mitton Play Area**

Infinity bowl has been removed for repair. Parts required are no longer available from the manufacturer, so an alternative solution is being investigated.

**iii. Warwick Place Play Area**

Twenty six bags of leaves were removed.

**E&A 20/065 To receive the committee budget report**

The committee budget report was received.

**E&A 20/066 To note the use of emergency powers to authorise repairs to the bench in Canterbury Leys at a cost of £257 due to health & safety concerns.**

The use of the authority was noted.

**E&A 20/067 To discuss and agree the removal of the concrete bins at Warwick Place play area at a cost of £125**

It was RESOLVED to approve the removal of the concrete bins at Warwick Place play area at a cost of £125.

Proposed by Cllr Aldridge, seconded by Cllr J Raywood.



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**E&A 20/068 To discuss and agree the option for the replacement bin at the entrance to Tewkesbury Nature Reserve (Vine Way)**

It was RESOLVED to install a mixed waste bin at the entrance to Tewkesbury Nature Reserve (Vine Way) at a cost of £250.

Proposed by Cllr Aldridge, seconded by Cllr Sztymiak.

**E&A 20/069 To discuss and agree the refurbishment of the metal bench in St Mary's Road car park at a cost of £157**

The ownership of the metal bench was discussed.

**Action:** Assistant Town Clerk to contact Tewkesbury Borough Council regarding ownership.

**E&A 20/070 To discuss the current situation regarding Spring Gardens toilet block doors and agree any additional steps required.**

The options for replacement steel doors were discussed. The Committee expressed had a preference for the green panelled style doors, but would prefer them to have a kick plate as well. It was felt that the panelled effect and colour were in keeping with the Tewkesbury street scene.

Both quotes were in the region of £13,500. The current budget has £2,000 for projects and there is £3,194 in earmarked reserves for toilet block projects. Due to the costs involved the decision will be referred to Full Council for consideration once costs included kick plates have been obtained.

The Committee discussed how to make the area more attractive in the short term. It was agreed that the boards on the car park side of the building should be painted burgundy and that it would be nice if the area could be improved, as there will be a significant period of time between now and installation.

It was RESOLVED to investigate the painting of murals on the current boarded up toilet doors by a local artist, up to a cost of £250.

Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Aldridge.

**E&A 20/071 To approve the payments list**

There was no payments list.

The meeting closed at 6.53pm.

Signature of Chairman upon approval of the minutes ..... 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021