

**TEWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
ENVIRONMENT & AMENITIES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 6TH AUGUST 2024**

To: Members of Environment & Amenities Committee: Councillors S. Raywood (Chairman), J. Raywood, M. Sztymiak, J. Baddams, C. Danter

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Environment & Amenities Committee which will be held at Tewkesbury Town Hall, High Street, Tewkesbury on **Tuesday 6th August 2024 commencing at 6:00 pm.**

Members of the public and press are welcome to attend.



Debbie Hill
Town Clerk
30th July 2024

AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To record declarations of interest.
3. To consider requests for dispensations.
4. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26th March 2024
5. Matters arising from the minutes – for information only.
6. Public Participation *(to provide members of the public/press with the opportunity to comment on items on the agenda or raise items for future consideration. In accordance with Standing Orders this will not exceed 12 minutes in total and 3 minutes per person.)*
7. Correspondence
8. To receive the committee budget report (including earmarked reserves)
9. To review the work programme & agree any actions
10. To receive updates on play areas & agree any actions
11. To receive an update on the bus shelters & agree any actions
12. To discuss the Gloucester Road toilet doors & agree any actions
13. To note the installation of two defibrillators & to agree to release £1500 from EMR 373 Defibrillators to 340 / 4765 Emergency Plan
14. To agree the payments list



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MINUTES

of the

Environment & Amenities Committee meeting
Held at Tewkesbury Town Hall on 26th March 2024 at 6.00pm

Present: Cllrs S Raywood (Chair), J Raywood, C Danter, M Sztymiak, P Brookes

In attendance: J King (Deputy Town Clerk)

E&A 23/043 To receive apologies for absence

No apologies received.

E&A 23/044 To record declarations of interest

None received.

E&A 23/045 To consider requests for dispensations

None received.

E&A 23/046 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 2nd January 2024

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 2nd January 2024.
Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/047 Matters arising from the minutes – for information only

19/036 Community right to bid — complete, listed on Tewkesbury Borough Council website

23/009 Alternative Play Provision – with Cllr Baddams

23/027 Emergency Plan – Cllr Brookes to check instructions to enter the building

23/038 Derek Graham Play Area – no response from Wheatpieces Parish Council

23/041 Spring Gardens Bench – slat replaced by Tewkesbury Borough Council

23/040 VAS earmarked reserve release – complete

23/042 Time for cleaning Watson Hall floor – time decreased from 90 minutes (and sometimes multiple cleans required) to 20 minutes per clean.

E&A 23/048 Public participation

There was no public participation.

E&A 23/049 To receive correspondence relating to the Environment & Amenities Committee

There was no correspondence.

E&A 23/050 To receive the committee budget report (including earmarked reserves)

The budget was received and reviewed.

E&A 23/051 To review the work programme and agree any actions

The work programme was reviewed and the following items were discussed:

- Repairs to bench on High Street after being hit by van.



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- Glass replacement in bus shelter on Ashchurch Road.
- Bins have been replaced at Oldfield, Anglo-American Remembrance Garden & King John's Bridge. Also, two bins outside Tewkesbury School replaced.
- Speedwatch camera post has been instructed – ongoing issue with personnel and currently no contact regarding the 5 suitable locations for the VAS.
- Bulbs at Priors Park – thanks to Cllr Danter for organising.

E&A 23/052 To receive updates on Play Areas and agree any actions

Derek Graham Play Area – toddler refurbishment is complete, however nets not in colour expected but company only make them in red. Pink paint being redone in purple so the clash is not so severe.

Update on feedback for the park refurbishment – will need to balance security concerns and not wanting it used any more, with the need to improve the site. No response from Wheatpieces Parish Council. It was suggested that a Councillor attend their Parish meeting.

All documents for registration of Derek Graham are ready to be passed over to land registration advisor to complete the next piece of work.

Bearing on carousel at Mitton is being replaced.

E&A 23/053 To receive an update on the bus shelters

The insurers for Stagecoach have agreed to pay the claim in full. Money was received on 21st March and Externiture have been advised to start the replacement.

Matched funding request for Gupshill has been submitted.

Bus shelter cleaning will continue with the current provider at a cost of £375, three times a year.

E&A 23/054 To consider and agree to replace a number of dog waste bins

It was RESOLVED to replace 6 number of dog waste bins at a cost of £1563.90. Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/055 To consider and agree the purchase of heritage style bin for the bus stop next to Morrisons at a cost of £475

It was RESOLVED to purchase a heritage style bin at a cost of £475. Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/056 To consider and agree the purchase of a heritage style bin for the Anglo-American Remembrance Garden at a cost of £475

It was RESOLVED to purchase of a heritage style bin for the Anglo-American Remembrance Garden at a cost of £475.



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Proposed by Cllr Danter, seconded by Cllr J Raywood.

E&A 23/057 To consider and agree the purchase of an additional mixed waste bin for Courtney Close at a cost of £250

It was RESOLVED to purchase of an additional mixed waste bin for Courtney Close at a cost of £250. Ask Tewkesbury Borough Council if there is any s.106 money that would cover it.

Proposed by Cllr Danter, seconded by Cllr J Raywood.

E&A 23/058 To consider relocating one CCTV camera in Spring Gardens at a cost of £896

It was RESOLVED to relocate one CCTV camera in Spring Gardens at a cost of £896.

Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/059 To consider and agree Play Ranger sessions for 2024/25 at a cost of £580 per session

Maximum sessions available are three in the summer, one in October, one in February, one at Easter. It was RESOLVED to approve six sessions at a cost of £580 per session.

Proposed by Cllr Brookes, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/060 To consider and agree an additional noticeboard for the side of Spring Gardens toilet block at a cost of up to £700

Order will need to be placed in the next financial year. Two door, 8 A4 sized green noticeboard to be placed on the mural side. Requested that helpline numbers are listed in there as well.

It was RESOLVED to purchase a noticeboard for Spring Gardens up to a cost of £700.

Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 23/061 To consider and agree to install outdoor defibrillators at Spring Gardens and Gloucester Road at a matched cost of £750 each

Matching funding has been approved for three defibrillators.

One will be placed at Woody's in Mitton and the additional £750 will be matched by community fundraising that has already taken place.

Councillors were concerned that locating them at Spring Gardens and Gloucester Road, meant that they were too close to others already in the Town Centre.

Looking at the online map of locations, there are no defibrillators located in Newtown. Suggested location is Boys' Brigade. Check that the funding body are happy with moving the locations.

Action: Ask Councillors if location issue with defibrillator in Prior's Park has been resolved.

E&A 23/062 To agree the earmarked reserves at the end of the financial year 2023/24

It was RESOLVED to agree the following earmarked reserves:

300 Play Parks – up to £1447 to EMR 325 Playground Projects



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- 310/4450 SG Maintenance £750 to new EMR for Defibrillators
- 310 Spring Gardens up to £7777 to EMR 333 Toilet Block Project
- 320/4450 GR Maintenance £750 to new EMR for Defibrillators
- 320 Gloucester Road up to £2469 to EMR 333 Toilet Block Project
- 340/4750 CCTV £1625 to EMR 330 CCTV
- 340/4770 Youth £775 to EMR 325 Playground Projects
- 340/4775 Insurance £295 to EMR 332 Street Furniture
- 340/1130 Misc Income £6072 to EMR 335 Bus Shelters
- 340/1850 HAZ Income £2669 to EMR 332 Street Furniture

Proposed by J Raywood, seconded Cllr Brookes.

E&A 23/063 To agree the payments list

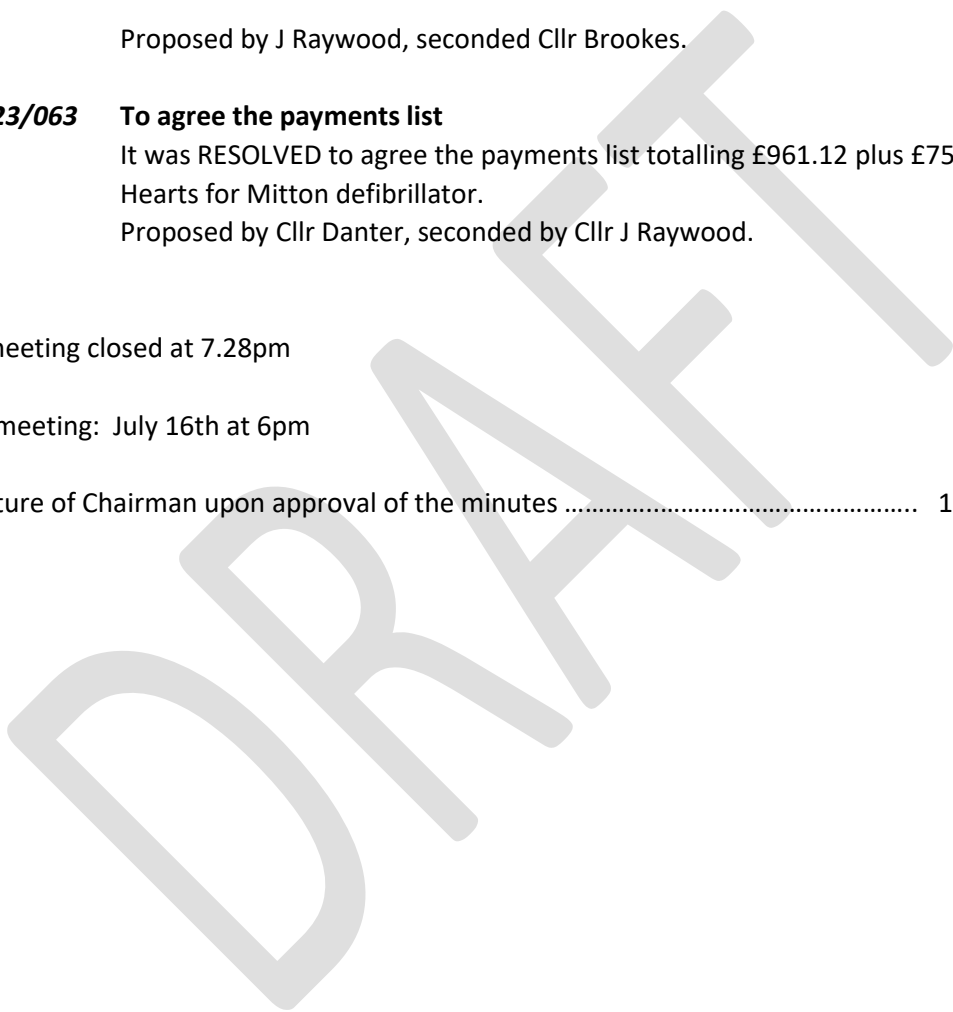
It was RESOLVED to agree the payments list totalling £961.12 plus £750 London Hearts for Mitton defibrillator.

Proposed by Cllr Danter, seconded by Cllr J Raywood.

The meeting closed at 7.28pm

Next meeting: July 16th at 6pm

Signature of Chairman upon approval of the minutes 16th July 2024



Additional information – Environment & Amenities Committee – August 2024

- Installation of Speedwatch posts is slower than would be expected. Frequent officer changes at GCC are an issue.
- 6 new dog bins installed.
- Bin at Morrisons has been installed. Additional bin for the Anglo-American garden was used to replace the one vandalised on Church Street due to the 8 week lead time on bins.
- Bus stop at the Odessa has been replaced.
- CCTV camera has been moved in Spring Gardens to give better coverage.
- Defibrillators are being installed in Stonehills and Newtown (Tewkesbury School) as there is already one on the outside of the Boys' Brigade building.
- Arrivall annual inspection is taking place early August.
- Noticeboard lettering at Prior's Park needs replacing.
- Swing has been damaged at Warwick Place, quote requested for replacement.

Correspondence

- Request received regarding the removal of Courtney Close litter bin
- Note of thanks received for the replacement bin on Church Street
- Request received regarding installation of new bus shelter in Northway
 - Dear Committee, I am writing to request a Bus Shelter for Shannon Way, Northway - Cheltenham (41), Gloucester (71) stop. Ideally with comfortable seating and a litter bin. The main reasons being;
This is a busy stop serving the adjacent businesses, Royal Mail Office, 2 large hotels etc. The stop is under a lamppost with a very active land gull on the lamp.
There is adequate space for a shelter. For future proofing, Real Time Information would be a bonus.

Proposed location is here: https://www.google.co.uk/maps/@51.9996915,-2.1264189,3a,75y,43.58h,77.15t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1sQGpA19yweVl2G_dKggdouQ!2e0!7i16384!8i8192?coh=205409&entry=ttu

Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading as at 30/7/2024

Month No: 4

Cost Centre Report

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual	Variance Annual	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	Transfer to/from EMR
300 Play Parks						
4590 Projects	1,810	5,150	3,340		3,340	
4600 Maintenance - Derek Graham	12	2,187	2,175		2,175	
4610 Maintenance - Mitton	0	1,093	1,093		1,093	
4620 Maintenance - Warwick Place	0	1,640	1,640		1,640	
4630 Annual Playground Inspection	1,500	1,550	50		50	
Play Parks :- Indirect Expenditure	3,322	11,620	8,298	0	8,298	0
Net Expenditure	(3,322)	(11,620)	(8,298)			
310 Spring Gardens						
4450 Maintenance	117	3,278	3,161	125	3,036	
4550 Water	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	
4560 Electric	235	2,000	1,765		1,765	
4590 Projects	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	
Spring Gardens :- Indirect Expenditure	352	9,278	8,926	125	8,801	0
Net Expenditure	(352)	(9,278)	(8,926)			
320 Gloucester Road						
4450 Maintenance	5	1,913	1,908		1,908	
4550 Water	108	974	866		866	
4560 Electric	0	1,500	1,500		1,500	
Gloucester Road :- Indirect Expenditure	113	4,387	4,274	0	4,274	0
Net Expenditure	(113)	(4,387)	(4,274)			
330 Cleaning & Consumables						
4700 Cleaning & Maintenance Equip	29	1,500	1,471		1,471	
4710 Combined Consumables	1,123	2,733	1,610		1,610	
4720 Hygiene Contract	1,408	1,311	(97)		(97)	
Cleaning & Consumables :- Indirect Expenditure	2,560	5,544	2,984	0	2,984	0
Net Expenditure	(2,560)	(5,544)	(2,984)			
340 Outside Spaces						
4450 Maintenance	22	0	(22)		(22)	
4750 CCTV	4,270	5,000	730		730	
4755 Tree Maintenance	0	750	750		750	
4760 Street Furniture & Clock	2,626	6,000	3,374	1,975	1,399	

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Month No: 4

Cost Centre Report

	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual	Variance Annual	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	Transfer to/from EMR
4765 EmergencyPlan/Adverse Weather	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	
4770 Youth Budget	0	3,500	3,500		3,500	
4775 Insurance - Arrivall	0	300	300		300	
4780 Bus Shelter	375	3,000	2,625	6,072	(3,447)	
4785 Parish Online	0	500	500		500	
4790 Grass Cutting	527	2,500	1,973		1,973	
4795 Notice Boards and Swapboxes	884	1,000	116		116	
Outside Spaces :- Indirect Expenditure	<u>8,705</u>	<u>23,550</u>	<u>14,845</u>	<u>8,046</u>	<u>6,799</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Expenditure	<u>(8,705)</u>	<u>(23,550)</u>	<u>(14,845)</u>			
Grand Totals:- Income	0	0	0			
Expenditure	15,052	54,379	39,327	8,171	31,155	
Net Income over Expenditure	<u>(15,052)</u>	<u>(54,379)</u>	<u>(39,327)</u>			
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	<u>(15,052)</u>					

Account	Opening Balance	Net Transfers	Closing Balance
320 EMR BUILD 64 BS Maintenance	66,935.00		66,935.00
321 EMR BUILD Town Hall Gardens	250.00		250.00
322 EMR MOOR Prior's Court	19,894.23		19,894.23
324 EMR E&A Noticeboards & Swapbox	1,708.00		1,708.00
325 EMR E&A Playground Projects	24,003.00		24,003.00
326 EMR E&A Youth	4,105.00		4,105.00
328 EMR BUILD War Memorial	7,875.73		7,875.73
329 EMR SH Severn Ham	34,133.00		34,133.00
330 EMR E&A CCTV	4,125.00		4,125.00
331 EMR E&A Tree Maintenance	5,650.00		5,650.00
332 EMR E&A Street Furniture	6,014.00		6,014.00
333 EMR E&A Toilet Block Project	13,145.00		13,145.00
335 EMR E&A Bus Shelters	10,773.25		10,773.25
336 EMR FIN Regalia	209.00		209.00
337 EMR FIN Website	2,520.00		2,520.00
338 EMR FIN Professional Fees	5,237.00		5,237.00
339 EMR FIN Legal	17,467.00		17,467.00
340 EMR FIN Elections	5,000.00		5,000.00
341 EMR FIN Tourism & Marketing	1,757.00		1,757.00
342 EMR FIN Newsletter	2,148.00		2,148.00
343 EMR SH Weeding	22,679.00		22,679.00
344 EMR SH Severn Ham Tree Maint	8,000.00		8,000.00
345 EMR SH Hay Sowing Project	8,675.00		8,675.00
346 EMR SH Footpath Repairs	3,253.00		3,253.00
349 EMR MOOR Projects	14,051.00		14,051.00
350 EMR BUILD Watson Hall Lease *	20,000.00		20,000.00
351 EMR BUILD 64 BS Grant Income	144,321.00	-144,321.00	0.00
354 EMR BUILD TH Maintenance	18,029.00		18,029.00
355 EMR BUILD WH Projects	19,319.00		19,319.00
356 EMR BUILD WH Bar Equipment	2,062.00		2,062.00
357 EMR BUILD 64 BS Projects	11,219.00		11,219.00
359 EMR PLA Community Devel Planni	5,856.00		5,856.00
360 EMR BUILD TH Projects	33,362.00		33,362.00
361 EMR FIN Community Grants	600.00		600.00
362 EMR FIN Tewkes Live Music Fest	2,199.00	-2,199.00	0.00
364 EMR Buildings Fundraising	720.00		720.00
365 EMR FIN Events and Services	2,439.00		2,439.00
366 EMR BUILD TH Equipment	870.00		870.00
367 EMR E&A Toilet Block Utilities	1,429.00		1,429.00
369 EMR STA Training	2,087.00		2,087.00
370 EMR PLA CIL	2,252.00		2,252.00
371 EMR PLA Planning Consultancy	1,415.00		1,415.00
372 EMR STA Professional Fees	3,792.00		3,792.00
373 EMR E&A Defibrillators	1,500.00		1,500.00
375 EMR BUILD WH Go Fund Me	76.00		76.00
	<u>563,154.21</u>	<u>-146,520.00</u>	<u>416,634.21</u>

Environment & Amenities Work Programme

Public Conveniences

Action	Status	Comments
Gander Lane Toilet Block	Closed	Changing Places toilet at Leisure Centre, requested added to map
Business rates for toilets	Closed	Law passed April 2021 - Rebate expected by end of June 2021, rebate received.
Replacement store room door / new doors at SG	Closed	Ordered July 2021, survey has been completed, store room door installed - work complete Dec 2021
Mural for boarded up doors at Spring Gardens	Closed	Completed Dec 2020 - mural now in Watson Hall garden
Road side doors repainted at Spring Gardens	Closed	Completed April 2020
Replace road side doors at Spring Gardens	Closed	Approved by Full Council in March 2022. Order placed. Doors finished November 2022
Door to baby change facility at Glos Road - damaged by wind	Closed	Repair complete
Mural to go on side of Spring Gardens	Closed	Completed November 2022
Baby change unit at Spring Gardens needs replacing	Open	Monitoring vandalism issues before replacing. Unit has been removed due to health & safety.
Repaint doors at Gloucester Road uniform colour	Closed	Completed November 2023

Play Areas

Action	Status	Comments
Apply for Green Flag Award	Closed	Decision not to apply for taken
Grant evaluation for Barnwood Trust	Closed	First evaluation submitted - January 2020
Annual play report items raised	Closed	High & Medium issues dealt with - monitor remaining
Cableway support to be replaced at Derek Graham	Closed	Work completed May 2020
New signs for Derek Graham and additional sign for Warwick Place	Closed	Completed September 2020
New cableway surface	Closed	Completed January 2021
Repairs to infinity bowl at Mitton	Closed	Instructed September 2020 - new bearings required
Removal of concrete bins at Warwick Place	Closed	Instructed November 2020
Request of ideas for next steps at Derek Graham	Open	Attended Newtown residents meeting in January 2024, DG being registered with Land Registry
Installation of new seesaw at Derek Graham	Closed	Complete May 2021
Sand to be applied to artificial grass - Mitton	Closed	Complete March 2021
Gate to be moved at Warwick Place to allow better access	Closed	With Wicksteed to complete - no cost to TTC - April 7th & 8th
Request made to GCC to drop kerb at Warwick Place	Closed	Completed Summer 2022
Severn Trent waste pipe replacement at Derek Graham	Closed	Started May 2021. Interim compensation of £900 received, further £200 being sent, not closed until reinstatement complete. Final compensation £100 received July 2023
New tree for Warwick Place	Closed	Planted April 2021 - Acer Princeton Gold - 7ft.
Repairs to rope and roundabout at Derek Graham	Closed	Issues raised in play report
Extension to slide wetpour at Derek Graham	Closed	Completed June 2021
Repair to collapsed wetpour at Derek Graham	Closed	Completed June 2021
H marking installation at entrance to Warwick Place	Closed	Highways completed - no cost to TTC
Replacement cableway support at Derek Graham	Closed	Completed August 2022
Replacement slide piece at Derek Graham	Closed	Completed August 2022
New tree for Warwick Place	Closed	Crimson King Acer, planted in November 2022

Fence repairs at Derek Graham	Closed	Completed May 2023
Sand to be applied to artificial grass - Mitton	Closed	Completed October 2023
Toddler Play area refurbishment	Closed	Order placed with Greenfields, November 2023, completed Spring 2024
Replacement of bearing at Mitton Play Area	Closed	Order placed with Greenfields , completed April 2024
Replacement bench at Warwick Place	Closed	Completed December 2023
CCTV		
Action	Status	Comments
Consider Upgrade of current CCTV System	Closed	Phase two (all but listed building cameras) upgraded in Feb 2021
Planning & listed building consent required for 2 CCTV locations	Closed	Installation expected October 20th - work complete
CCTV for Gloucester Road toilet block	Closed	
Assess need for future CCTV	Closed	Relocation of camera in SG complete
Tree interference on Oldbury Road	Closed	With GCC & TBC re: tree reduction took place. Long term, may need to consider relocation of cameras.
Bins		
Action	Status	Comments
Side doors missing from bins near Bell Hotel	Closed	Old style door - no longer available - spare door used from bin removed from Ashchurch Road
Side doors missing from bin on Back of Avon	Closed	Spare door installed
New bin outside One Stop	Closed	One stop have agreed to fund. Location agreed by TBC , installed June 2021
New bin for the Slingett / Lincoln Green Lane	Closed	Bin location agreed - TBC agreed to fund new bin
Replacement bin for Green Lane	Closed	Mixed waste bin installed
Replacement bin for Tewkesbury Nature Reserve	Closed	Mixed waste bin installed
Replacement of missing inner from bin on Oldbury	Closed	Inner replaced under delegated authority £68
Combine dog waste & bin on Ashchurch Road / Walton Cardiff Lane	Closed	Completed Jan 2021
Churchill Grove bin base removal	Closed	Complete
Replacement bins for Derek Graham Play Area	Closed	Complete - installed Feb 2021
Refurbishment of dog bins throughout the Town	Closed	First set completed Feb 2021, second set completed Feb 2022
New dog bin required for Vineyards entrance	Closed	Current bin rusted with sharp edges. Replacement ordered under delegated authority - March 2022 - Installed April 2022
Rust treat and refurbish ballast bin at Tewkesbury School	Closed	Work complete - vinyl sticker installed
Replacement bin - Ashchurch / Springfield	Closed	Installation w/c 25 April
Replacement bin - Gannaway Lane	Closed	Installation w/c 25 April
New bin - St John's Bridge - heritage style	Closed	Installed January 2022
New bin - Springfield (replacing dog waste bin)	Closed	TBC replacing via s106 money
New side panel for bin in Anglo American Garden	Closed	Side panels no longer available - unable to salvage one from damaged bin, different hinge fitting. Being replaced as part of HSHAZ funding
New bin for St Mary's Road car park (heritage style)	Closed	Complete
New mixed waste bin to replace dog bin in football field near leisure centre	Closed	Completed November 2022
New bin for Northway Lane	Closed	Installed October 2023
Bin being moved from Station Rd car park to end of cycleway	Closed	Completed Autumn 2023
New bin for Manor Place	Closed	Installed April 2023
HSHAZ funding obtained to replace 8 bins on High Street and surrounding area	Closed	Delivered November 2023, all installed and refund requested

New bin request - Morrisons bus shelter	Closed	Approved March 2024, ordered March 2024
New bin request - Courtney Close	Closed	Approved March 2024, ordered March 2024
Replacement bins - Anglo American	Open	Approved March 2024, ordered March 2024
Vandalised bin - Church Street	Closed	Replacement approved by Chair - ordered May 2024
Bus Shelters		
Action	Status	Comments
Bus shelter cleaning	Closed	New provider instructed for 2023/2024 - 3 times a year clean
Installation of no smoking signs	Closed	Complete
Replacement of scratched panels	Closed	Ordered Jan 2021. - 1 x opposite Council offices, 1 x outside Morrisons - Complete March 2021
Bench for Gupshill bus stop	Closed	Installed October 2021
Bus shelter for Odessa	Closed	50:50 grant given - order placed. Installed 19th June 2023
Odessa bus shelter hit by stagecoach bus - bus shelter requires replacement	Closed	Replacement works instructed in April 2024. Install date July 2024
Gupshill bus shelter replacement	Open	50:50 matched funding request submitted. Request was 'lost', resubmitted
Vandalism to glass at Canterbury Leys bus shelter	Closed	Glass replaced under H&S requirement
Benches		
Action	Status	Comments
Refurbishment of benches on Back of Avon	Closed	Completed
Repair to bench on Canterbury Leys	Closed	Completed
Repair to bench on Severn Ham	Closed	Completed - Feb 2021
Repair to Barton Court Road bench	Closed	Completed - Feb 2021
Repair to Town Hall Garden bench	Closed	Completed - August 2021
Wooden benches on High Street, Church Street, Chance Street & Back of Avon need a coat of protective finish	Closed	Completed - Summer 2022
Refurbishment of Arundel Road bench	Closed	Completed - September 2022
Adoption of St Mary's Road & Link Road benches	Closed	TBC carrying out work in financial year 2023/2024 instead of adoption
Four benches in Anglo American garden to refurbish	Closed	Repairs complete Spring 2023
Replacement bench - Barton Court	Closed	Replaced by TBC Summer 2023 after car hit bench
Wooden benches on High Street, Church Street, Chance Street & Back of Avon need a coat of protective finish	Open	Darker shade of Ozmo to be used this year to give a more uniform finish. Work to be carried out in Summer 2024 due to wet Spring weather delaying start.
Bench on High Street hit by delivery van	Closed	Repairs being made and liability has been accepted. Completed May 2024
Noticeboards		
Action	Status	Comments
Discuss with TBC about placement of a noticeboard at Lincoln Green Lane	Closed	Installed May 2020
Purchase of Noticeboard for Lincoln Green Lane	Closed	Installed May 2020
Purchase of Noticeboard for Severn Ham (Abbey Mill)	Closed	Installed Dec 2020
Purchase of Noticeboard for Stonehills	Closed	Installed Feb 2021
Bishops Walk Noticeboard	Open	Board owned by TBC. HAZ replaced board, but not what they ordered
Options for Mitton noticeboard	Closed	Installed December 2022
Options for Newtown noticeboard	Closed	Highways have given permission. Purchase in 2023/24 financial year, installed May 2023

Request for new noticeboard at Spring Gardens	Closed	Approved March 2024, installed April 2024
Emergency Planning/Adverse Weather Planning		
Action	Status	Comments
Emergency Plan Working Group Formulated to produce new Plan.	Closed	Plan updated (to be agreed by committee) and folder updated
Acquire new sandbags for ballast bins	Closed	200 sandbags acquired. Stored at the Town Hall & with Councillors
Ballast bins topped up with pea gravel	Closed	Topped up September 2023
Other		
Action	Status	Comments
Work required on trees at Warwick Place & Derek Graham play areas	Closed	Work completed 7th September
Work required on diseased whitebeam on Back of Avon	Closed	Section 211 granted for work to start - diseased bough removed, rest of tree in good condition
Pollarding of trees on edge of Derek Graham	Closed	Work agreed 50:50 split with GCC. Work completed 6/12/22
Youth Services - Youth Council	Closed	GCC setting up Youth Council - on hold due to Covid. Brockworth have set up Youth Council
Request for community bulb planting at Warwick Place	Closed	Permission given for bulb planting around noticeboard - £50 allocated in May 2022 meeting. Chris Danter overseeing planting.
Street furniture condition inspection	Closed	Completed October 2020
Smart Clock	Closed	Finally completed - September 2021
Adoption of Phone Box - Prior's Park	Closed	New style boxes only available for adoption as defibrillator locations - therefore not possible to adopt
Overhanging cable at Warwick Place	Closed	Cable has been restrung. Severn Vale housing investigating whether alarm system is still in use
Youth Services - Holiday playscheme	Open	Four sessions running Summer 2023, October x 1 day, February x 1 day, Easter 2024 x 1 day
Youth Services - permissions for Vineyards	Closed	Three year permission given for Play Rangers to run on the Vineyards - Oct 2022
Swap box for Prior's Park	Closed	Installed September 2022
Arrivall sculpture inspections	Closed	All suggested works to be undertaken in August 2023
Future swap boxes - locations & community want & funding	Open	Stonehills and Mitton have requested swap boxes, Shed Project making them. Mitton ready to install.
Water fountain for Spring Gardens	Closed	HSHAZ funding granted, installed March 2023
Gum sticker campaign with TBC	Closed	Meeting with TBC on 9th October, happening November 2023
Tree work - whitebeam on Back of Avon	Closed	Planning permission given November 2023, work carried out in December 2023
Street furniture condition inspection	Closed	Completed bin and dog waste replacements approved by committee



Play Gloucestershire: Tewkesbury Town Council Report Card

Monitoring Period: Winter 2023 to Spring 2024



Play Gloucestershire is the local charity that helps children and families to Get Out and Play! Our mission is to transform children's lives using the power of outdoor play. We believe that outdoor play is an essential part of a happy and healthy childhood, and benefits children, families, schools and communities.

Our Play Rangers provide active and creative play in urban and rural communities in the Cheltenham, Cotswolds, Forest of Dean, Gloucester, Stroud and Tewkesbury districts. Activities are both school and community based, providing adventure, friendship and fun for hundreds of young people each year. School aged children and their families are the beneficiaries of our work. We particularly support children from disadvantaged and rural isolated communities, and those living in challenging circumstances.

Play Gloucestershire's Play Rangers have been kindly funded by Tewkesbury Town Council to provide two open access play days in the October, February and Easter school holidays.

How much did we do?

- We have provided **3 holiday play sessions**
- Totalling **18 hours of community play**
- With **132 play visits** in total

How well did we do it?

'I flew a kite! How amazing is that!'
Kara, age 8

'I'll take the spare soup, let me go home and get a tub.' Mum of 3 making use of the left over soup and bread from the lunch that we cooked for everyone to take home for her kids lunch tomorrow

'Look what we did.' Tom, age 9, wanting to share what they had been playing with a trusted adult

Have we made a difference to children and young people?

- Increased resilience through outdoor active play with a varied age group from the local community who may not normally play together.
- We promote active and healthy lifestyles with a range of activities and snacks. This combination improves mental and physical health, providing a sense of increased wellbeing.
- Getting children and families playing outdoors by making use of a local green space for play and recreation. Allowing them the freedom to play and express themselves in a safe space.
- Play in community setting allows for different members of the community to engage with each other, for example dog walkers chatting with children at play.
- Creative and imaginative play with loose parts that can be loud, large and lively as required or calm quiet spaces that they don't usually have access to.
- Positive Social Return Investment (SRI) of community play sessions, changing the way sites are used, increasing recreation and activity. Providing volunteering opportunities to young people who in turn role model positive behaviour among their peers.
- Providing emotional support through life's ups and downs - school transitions, exam pressure, relationship issues. Listening with empathy & offering support or signposting if needed.

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Play Ranger Reflections

We have had some wet sessions over this period, though many in Tewkesbury Town are used to the floods, access to local activities has been greatly appreciated by both children and their families. The weather may not be ideal, but children still want to and need to play. Having the space to get outside, get messy, run around and meet new people has been vital to some families.

Joe came with his grandma to each session, they have been before and they stay to have lunch and play all day with us. Each time she says thank you. She explained that she doesn't have the energy to be quite so active with him anymore and that it helps that he can do it with us when she is looking after him.

Sensory play has been a key element of sessions during our rainy days and it's been great to see children meeting new people, making friends and creating new games together. One group were really quiet in the tent and even when the rain stopped and most of us went out to play, they stayed absorbed in their play. When they were ready they came to show us what they had done; it had taken over 90 minutes, but they had separated their favourite colours of Orbits from a big tub.

