

MINUTES

of the

Environment & Amenities Committee meeting

Held at Tewkesbury Town Hall on 6th August 2024 at 6.00pm

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

In attendance: J King (Deputy Town Clerk)

E&A 24/001 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Baddams.

E&A 24/002 To record declarations of interest

None received.

E&A 24/003 To consider requests for dispensations

None received.

E&A 24/004 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 26th March 2024

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 26th March 2024.

Proposed by Cllr Danter, seconded by Cllr J Raywood.

E&A 24/005 Matters arising from the minutes – for information only

23/009 Alternative Play Provision – with Cllr Baddams – closed.

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 –

closed.

E&A 24/006 Public participation

There was no public participation.

E&A 24/007 To receive correspondence relating to the Environment & Amenities Committee

Correspondence was received relating to the new bin installed in Courtney Close. A request for a bus stop on Shannon Way has been made, this has been referred to

GCC to see if the site is suitable.

E&A 24/008 To receive the committee budget report (including earmarked reserves)

The budget was received and reviewed.

E&A 24/009 To review the work programme and agree any actions

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

- Speedwatch locations approved waiting installation of poles by Highways.
- Bearing on carousel at Mitton replaced.
- Toddler multiplay at Derek Graham refurbishment complete.
- Odessa bus shelter has been replaced.



- Bus shelters have been cleaned.
- Six new dog waste bins have been installed.
- Heritage style bin has been installed at Morrisons.
- Bin was severely damaged in Church Street, so replacement for Anglo-American Garden was used to replace. Another bin is on order, but wait times are over 8 weeks at present.
- Bin was installed at Courtney Close.
- CCTV camera has been relocated, gives much better visibility in car park.
 Has also resolved issue with the tree of signal getting disturbed coming back to the Town Hall.
- Noticeboard has been installed on Spring Gardens toilet block.
- Grit has been ordered for the winter.
- Play Rangers report for Autumn / Spring 2023/24 has been received.
- Issue with CCTV water damage on Back of Avon repair has been instructed.
- Lettering has come off the noticeboard at Prior's Park
- Arrivall inspection is taking place this week.
- Toddler swing replacement required at Warwick Place.

E&A 24/010 To receive updates on Play Areas and agree any actions

It will not be possible to apply for grants for Derek Graham until the land has been registered. Process is with agent applying on our behalf.

Update on feedback for the park refurbishment – will need to balance security concerns and not wanting it used any more, with the desire to improve the site.

Will need to consider topping up the sand at Mitton in Spring 2025.

E&A 24/011 To receive an update on the bus shelters and agree any actions

The original application for matched funding at Gupshill has been 'lost' in the system. Documentation has been resubmitted. Cost for replacing is £10,009.

E&A 24/012 To discuss the Gloucester Road toilet doors and agree any actions

It was agreed that the toilet doors at Gloucester Road are nearing the end of their lifespan. The wooden doors struggle to cope with the flooding. Preferred option is to replace all doors at the same time to save on the installation costs.

The cost for replacement is approximately £20,000 for the six doors.

There is currently £15,000 in earmarked reserves and the toilet block project for 2024/25. Suggestion to budget £5,000 in projects for 2025/26.

On the basis that the budget and precept are agreed in January 2025, costs to be taken to Full Council in March for approval as over £10,000.



E&A 24/013 To note the installation of two defibrillators and to agree to release £1500 from EMR 373 Defibrillators to 340/4765 Emergency Plan

The installation of the two defibrillators at Tewkesbury School and Stonehills was noted.

It was RESOLVED to release the £1500 from earmarked reserves 373 to 340/4765 Emergency Plan. Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

E&A 24/014 To agree the payments list

It was RESOLVED to agree the payments list totalling £30,114.21 Proposed by Cllr J Raywood, seconded by Cllr Danter.

The meeting closed at 6.36 pm

Next meeting: 15th October 2024

Signature of Chairman upon approval of the minutes15th October 2024