

South Swindon Parish Council

Leisure, Environment & Amenities Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th August 2024 at 6.30pm

In the Parish Council Office, Gladstone Street, SN1 2AU

Present:	Cllr L Kasmaty (Chair) Cllr J Firmin (Vice Chair) Cllr R Banwell-Moore Cllr D Griffiths	Cllr N Hopkins Cllr S James Cllr T Silberberg
Apologies:	Cllr P Herring Cllr M Le Coyte-Grinney	Cllr D Vales
Absent:	Cllr S Allsopp	
Officers:	Matt Leather Max Tanner	Deputy CEO Committee Officer
Public:	None	
Public Questions:	None	

2425 – 96 Apologies

Cllr P Herring, Cllr M Le Coyte-Grinney and Cllr D Vales

2425 – 97 Declaration of interest & Applications for dispensation

None

2425 – 98 Community Facilities Update

The Committee received a written update from the Community Facilities Officer regarding Parish Council facilities. A copy of which appears in the minute book as Appendix A.

Recommendation

3.1 To note the contents of the report.

3.2 To approve the installation of a storage shed at Broadgreen community Centre as detailed in Point 2.3.

3.3 To approve a contribution of £3,000 towards the energy efficiency work at Broadgreen Community Centre as detailed in Point 2.4.

RESOLVED

- I. Councillors note the contents of the report.
- II. Councillors approve installation of the storage shed at Broadgreen Community Centre.
- III. Councillors approve the contribution of £3000 towards the energy efficiency work at Broadgreen Community Centre.

2425 – 99 Buckhurst Field Improvement Plan Update

The Committee received a written report from the Parish Council's Project's Officer regarding the progress of the Buckhurst Field Improvement Project. A copy of which appears in the minute book as Appendix B.

Recommendation

1. To note the contents of the report.
2. To support the additional contribution required from the Parish Council Buildings Reserve for the Shrewsbury Road Changing Room Refurbishment.
3. To note and support the additional contribution required from the Open Spaces reserve towards the car park improvements.
4. To note and support the current allocation of Section 106 monies from the George Gay

Gardens Development.

- RESOLVED:**
- I. Councillors note the contents of the report.
 - II. Councillors support the additional contribution for Shrewsbury Road Changing Rooms as detailed in recommendation 2.
 - III. Councillors note and support additional contribution for car park improvements as detailed in recommendation 3.
 - IV. Councillors note and support the current allocation of section 106 monies from the George Gay Garden development as detailed in recommendation 4.
 - V. Councillors resolve to review Oakfield Development Board funding at the next Leisure, Environment & Amenities Committee meeting.

2425 – 100 Parks Improvement Strategy

The Committee received a written report from the Deputy CEO regarding the establishment of an improvement plan for Parish Council parks. A copy of which appears in the Minute Book as Appendix C.

Recommendations

3.1 Request the CEO in cooperation with the Assets Working Party establish a Parks improvement Plan to be brought back to a future Leisure, Environment & Amenities Committee.

- RESOLVED:** To approve recommendation 3.1 and resolve to invite every Councillor to submit suggestions regarding park improvements to the Assets Working Party.

Update on Free Activities in Parks & Open Spaces

- 2425 – 101** Councillors received a written update from the Deputy CEO regarding free activities in Parks and Open Spaces. A copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

Recommendations

3.1 To note the contents of the report

3.2 Support the Parish Council contributing £1,500 from its Community Infrastructure Levy Reserve towards a 3-year programme of Park Yoga at Queen's Park.

- RESOLVED:**
- I. To note the report and approve recommendation 3.2.
 - II. To track Parish Council spending that is used for community projects in order to provide full accounts relating to the Parish Council's community spending.

2425 – 102 South Swindon In Bloom

Councillors received a verbal update from the Chair of the Environment Working Party regarding the recent judges visit for the South Swindon In Bloom entry.

- RESOLVED:** To note the contents of the report.

2425 – 103 Grounds & Street Cleaning Review

Councillors considered a written report from the Deputy CEO regarding a review of the Parish Council's grounds and street cleaning teams. A copy of which appears as Appendix E.

Recommendation

3.1 Note the planned review of the grounds maintenance and street cleaning team operations.

- RESOLVED:** To note the planned review as recommended in item 3.1.

2425 – 104 Allotments Update

The committee received a verbal update from the Deputy CEO on the Parish Council's

allotment service.

RESOLVED: To note the contents of the report.

2425 – 105 Youth Working Party Update

The Committee received a verbal update on the work of the Youth Working Party along with the minutes of the last meeting. A copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED: To note the contents of the report.

2425 – 106 Community Working Party Update

The Committee received a verbal update on the work of the Health, Wellbeing and Community Working Party along with the minutes of the last meeting. A copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED: To note the Contents of the report.

Meeting Closes at 19.57pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair of the Parish Council