

COLWICH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2016 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, ST. MARY'S ROAD, LITTLE HAYWOOD COMMENCING AT 7:30PM.

PRESENT (For all or part of the meeting): Cllr Billingsley (Chair); Cllr Birt; Cllr Cooper;
Cllr Dunn; Cllr Featonby; Cllr Gibson and Cllr Lyall.

IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Lennon (Parish Clerk)

CO-OPTEES: B Broome; C Johnson; V Powell; R Hill-Baldwin and S Richards.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No members of the public were present.

MINUTES

21/16EL APOLOGIES were received from Cllr Cowlshaw.

RESOLVED to accept the apology.

PROPOSED Cllr Billingsley

SECONDED Cllr Cooper.

22/16EL There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

23/16EL There were no **WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS.**

**24/16EL MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON 16TH JUNE 2016.**

RESOLVED to agree and sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

PROPOSED Cllr Gibson

SECONDED Cllr Dunn

25/16EL REPORT FROM THE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION.

The Association representatives noted:

- Mr Robbie has now retired from the Association and so should be removed from the main contact list.
- Mr Hobbs is now the Association Treasurer.
- There are a few neglected plots which are being attended to so as to re-let.
- A working party has been established to repair and refurbish the allotment roads.
- The wild gardens are doing well.
- The water system is now off until March.
- A visit is expected from the National Organisation to view the wildlife areas.
- Waiting list is now 2 (plus a further 5 people who have asked to remain on the list but are not, as yet, ready to take up a plot).
- Association to attend the March 2017 meeting.

Signed as a true and accurate record.....

Date.....

The Chairman thanked the representatives of the Allotment Association for their update. The representatives left the meeting.

26/16EL BURIAL SITE/GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THE PARISH.

Cllr Lyall noted that CURB last met on 9th September and re-elected its officers:

- Secretary – Cath Lyall
- Chair – John Coates.

The next meeting is planned for 31st January 2017 with a report to be presented at the 9th March meeting.

27/16EL WASTE BIN AT THE TOP OF LITTLE TIXALL LANE.

RESOLVED that the Clerk approaches Stafford Borough Council to ask for a waste bin near the public footpath at the top of Little Tixall Lane.

28/16EL THE PAVEMENT ACROSS THE BUTTS.

RESOLVED that the Clerk approaches the National Trust to request that the Wall is kept clear of overhanging vegetation.

RESOLVED that the Clerk approaches Stafford Borough Council to request that the footpath across The Butts is swept more often due to the number of trees in The Cliffs.

29/16EL BIODIVERSITY ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION PLAN.

Cllr Gibson spoke to her report, summarising the work to date.

Cllrs Dunn; Featonby and Lyall to form a Working Group to propose priorities for action. Cllrs Cowlshaw and Payne to be invited to attend as they represent the Council with the AONB.

30/16EL STAFFORDSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST.

RESOLVED that the Council signs-up to receive electronic newsletters.

PROPOSED Cllr Cooper

SECONDED Cllr Featonby.

31/16EL DATE OF NEXT MEETING to be 12th January 2017.

Meeting closed at 8:43pm.

Signed as a true and accurate record.....
Date.....