



## COLWICH PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, ST. MARY'S ROAD, LITTLE HAYWOOD COMMENCING AT 7:30PM.

**PRESENT** (For all or part of the meeting): Cllr Upton-Loach (Chairman); Cllr Bloor (Vice Chairman); Cllr B Forster; Cllr M Forster; Cllr Hardwick and Cllr Dunn (Deputising for Cllr Mosley).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Revd Mr M Lennon (Chief Officer)

**CO-OPTEES PRESENT:** Mr Johnson (Allotments Association) and Mr Hobbs (SinCH/Help Nature Thrive).

### MINUTES

1/24E **APOLOGIES** were received from Cllr Mosley (away) and Mr Horton (SinCH).

**RESOLVED** to accept the apologies.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Upton-Loach **SECONDED** Cllr Bloor.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

Mr Sarjant (Flower & Vegetable Show) has subsequently sent apologies.

2/24E There were no **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**.

3/24E There were no **WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**.

4/24E **THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023.**

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

**PROPOSED** Cllr Hardwick **SECONDED** Cllr B Forster.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

5/24E **THE MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2023.**

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

**PROPOSED** Cllr Bloor **SECONDED** Cllr B Forster.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**6/24E THE WRITTEN REPORT FROM THE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION**  
was noted.

**7/24E There was no REPORT FROM COLWICH AND HAYWOOD IN BLOOM.**

**8/24E There was no REPORT FROM THE COLWICH FLOWER AND  
VEGETABLE SHOW.**

**9/24E Mr Hobbs provided a short verbal REPORT FROM THE HELP NATURE  
THRIVE GROUP.**

**10/24E The verbal update on the COLEY LANE MEMORIAL GARDEN was noted.**

**11/24E SAFEGUARDING OF SIGNIFICANT TREES (NOT LISTED TPO) ON  
PUBLIC LAND IN THE PARISH.**

**RESOLVED** to write to Stafford Borough Council requesting that Colwich PC  
be informed of any tree works in the parish and to request a full TPO map.

**RESOLVED** that Help Nature Thrive map the significant trees across the Parish.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Bloor **SECONDED** Cllr Upton-Loach.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution was carried unanimously.

**12/24E GREAT HAYWOOD RAINBOW UNIT BUG HOTEL AND AREA TO  
PLANT FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES.**

**RESOLVED** to allow the Rainbows to renovate the Bug Hotel located on the  
JPF.

**RESOLVED** to provide an area on the Oldfields Crescent green.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Upton-Loach **SECONDED** Cllr Bloor.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**13/24E PLANTS FOR A PERMACULTURE DEMONSTRATION (PALLET  
PLANTER) AND A LOCAL SEED MIX.**

**RESOLVED** to agree to provide up to £120 to HELP NATURE THRIVE to  
purchase suitable plants.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Upton-Loach **SECONDED** Cllr Hardwick.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**14/24E SIGNAGE FOR THE HELP NATURE THRIVE GREEN  
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT SITES.**

Cllr Hardwick declared an interest and took no part in the discussion or vote.

**RESOLVED** to purchase signs for all areas managed under the Green  
Infrastructure Plan by Colwich PC, Colwich in Bloomers or Help Nature Thrive.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Upton-Loach **SECONDED** Cllr M Forster.

On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**15/24E BIRD BOXES.**

The purchase of four bird boxes was noted.

**RESOLVED** to consider erecting them in St Michael's churchyard; JPF; Trent Square Little Haywood Village Hall and Oldfields Crescent green. Any spare boxes to consult with the In Bloomers for other another location.

**PROPOSED** Cllr Upton-Loach                      **SECONDED** Cllr Hardwick.  
On being put to the vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**16/24E DATE OF NEXT MEETING** to be 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Meeting closed at 8:50pm

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