

**Minutes of the Green & Open Spaces Committee Meeting of the Town Council
held on Tuesday 15th April 2025 at 7.00pm**

Present

St Michael's Ward

Cllr L Wakefield (Chair)

St Paul's Ward

Cllr R Coombs

Cllr A Pearsall

Cllr H Turner

In attendance

Heloise Marlow, Deputy Clerk

Cllr T McCollum

24/52/GOS Apologies for absence

Cllr J Fotheringham (Personal)

Cllr C Kolek (Personal)

24/53/GOS Declarations of Interests

None

24/54/GOS Dispensations

There were no requests for, or grants of dispensations made by the Town Clerk in relation to the business of the meeting.

24/55/GOS Public Question Time for items on the agenda

None received.

24/56/GOS Minutes of the Green & Open Spaces Committee held on 24 February 2025.

Committee RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Green and Open Spaces Committee held on 24 February 2025 as published and circulated with the agenda.

Proposed by Cllr Coombs and seconded by Cllr Wakefield.

For 2; Against 0; Abstentions 2

24/57/GOS Community Asset Transfer

Committee RESOLVED unanimously to recommend to Full Council that the Community Asset Transfer application to EDDC for the planters and bamboo hedging at Allhallows be withdrawn and replaced with an application for a licence of the planters and bamboo hedging at Allhallows.

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Turner

24/58/GOS P3 Inspections

Committee **NOTED** the report.

Cllr Coombs queried the following:

- Boundary Posts inspection
- Public Way signs at Stout Farm and Wadmore Lane

24/59/GOS Maintenance Work

Committee **NOTED** the report.

24/60/GOS Dog Bins

Committee **NOTED** the report.

Cllr Coombs suggested that the dog bin at FP 23 Higher Brand Lane could be moved to Gardiners Cross.

24/61/GOS Project Progress

Members **NOTED** the item.

24/62/GOS Oaklea Bridge

Cllr Coombs noted that ex Cllr Smart had also been the lead Councillor for the Community Orchard and suggested that there should be a Vice Lead Cllr for projects who could take over should the Lead Cllr have to step away for any reason.

There were no volunteers to take over the lead Cllr role for Oaklea Bridge.

24/63/GOS Green & Open Spaces Committee Terms of Reference

Committee RESOLVED unanimously to add the following to the Committee's Terms of Reference:

"Should speed of Decision-making dictate, Decisions (within the remit of the Committee and within budget) can be made between Committee meetings by Delegation to the Town Clerk (in consultation with Committee Councillors)".

Proposed by Cllr Pearsall and seconded by Cllr Turner

24/64/GOS To close the meeting

The meeting was closed at 7.45pm.