

## Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 6pm in the Civic Centre Eckington

Attendance :- C. Gare ( Chair) K. Deffley; A.S. Dye; C. Tite; B. Ridgway; L. Kirton; G. Roberts; P. Staniforth (Clerk).

OS 35/15 Apologies

J.S. Ridgway; M. Gazur (RFO); J. Green (Cemetery Superintendent)

OS 36/15 Variation of Order of Business

Business not Varied

OS 37/15 Declaration of Members Interests

Nothing declared

OS 38/15 The Minutes of the Open Spaces Committee 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2015; the Minutes of the Extraordinary Open Spaces Committee 30<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and the Minutes of the Extra-Ordinary Open Spaces 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 Committee were all agreed as a true and accurate record.

OS 39/15 The Chair duly signed and dated all the Minutes

OS 40/15 To identify items for which the Press and Public may be excluded

Nothing Identified.

OS 41/15 Cemetery

a. Triangular Field Update:- Th Clerk reported that he was to contact the planning Authority to check permissions required, if any and to obtain quotes for constructing an access road and parking area to serve the Triangular Field.

b. Chapels of Ease:- The Chair reported that she now had papers relating to the Chapels of Ease and was to look at the way forward and was to liaise with the appropriate groups to obtain ideas.

c. Resurfacing :- Clerk to obtain quotes for phases 2 and 3 of the road resurfacing at the Cemetery.

d. The Cemetery Supt. was not present but the Clerk reported that a new agency staff person had just started, He also reported that a date for interviews for the part-time handyperson had been agreed and that the closing date for the trainee/apprentice was 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

OS 42/15 Allotments

a. The revised lease for allotments was agreed. The lease to be issued to all new allotment holders.

b. The Clerk reported that there was likely to to number of evictions from the Lansbury Road Site. It was also agreed to have an allotment walkabout at the end of August 2015.

OS 43/15 Play Areas

a. Clerks Report:- then Clerk referred to the NEDDC Document which outlined details of the locations of the various sites that NEDDC maintained on the Council's behalf.

b. The Chair thanked other contributors for their work in presenting reports on the play areas.

Councillor Tite left Meeting

c. Agreed to discuss Play Areas further at the October 2015 meeting.

OS 44/15 Proposal for Monument within Eckington

a. Agreed (in principle) to publicise information re: Joseph Gale snr. and jnr. and that Councillor Deffley be allowed to continue his research.

b. Agreed to reimburse Councillor Deffley for appropriate expenses in the cost of researching more details.

c. Agreed to keep this item on the Agenda.

OS 45/15 Assets of Community Value- Eckington Woods

Agreed to set up a Sub Group consisting of Councillors Gare; B. Ridgway; L. Kirton; G. Roberts to proceed with the project.

OS 46/15 Market

Agreed to join the Market web-site.

OS 47/15 Maintenance of Steadsfield

Agreed that the Clerk contact Moss Valley Group to discuss the possibility of their involvement in carrying out basic maintenance of the Natural Woodland.

OS 48/15 War Memorial

a. The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting an estimate for the restoration of the Marsh lane Memorial.

b. Agreed to Agenda Renishaw War memorial for the next Meeting.

OS 49/15 To resolve to exclude the Press and Public due to the confidential nature of the business to be conducted

Agreed

OS 50/15 To discuss any item for which the Press and Public have been excluded

Nothing to discuss.

Meeting closed 8-05pm