BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Broomfield Parish Council's Civic Amenities Committee Held in the council Office at Broomfield Village Hall 7.30p.m. on Wednesday 10th May 2017

51	11.	Members attending
		Chairman: Councillor Tranquada
		Vice Chairman: Councillor Garwood
		Councillors: Councillors Howell and Thomson
		Resolved: Apologies were received from Councillors Hubble and Mercer
51	12.	Declarations of interests
		Councillors Thomson and Tranquada declared an interest in minute no. 508
51	13.	To consider recording the meeting
		Resolved. The Committee did not agree to approve the recording of the Civic Amenities meeting.
51	14.	Public Question Time
		There were no members of the public present.
51	.5.	To approve the minutes of the Civic Amenities Committee Meeting held 12 th April
		Resolved: The minutes of the Civic Amenities Committee Meeting held on 12 th April 2017 are accepted as a true record.
51	.6.	To meet newly appointed Tree Warden
		To be carried forward to a future meeting.
51	.7.	Allotment Site
	a.	Review of allotment waiting list
		The Deputy Clerk informed members that currently there was one person on the waiting list.
		'Goodgym' will be working on the allotment site on the evening of 31 st May to aid with digging and clearing of the site.
		The Chairman reported that the ditch would need to be cleared of vegetation in future months.
		Councillor Thomson joined the meeting at 7.35p.m.

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518.	Angel Meadow
a.	To note the date for the repositioning of Kick/sports wall will commence Monday 10 th July 2017
	Councillors Garwood and Tranquada will meet with the contractor so that the positioning of the kick/sports wall can be marked out.
	The Deputy Clerk will inform Broomfield Football Club of the date that the work will take place.
	ACTION: Deputy Clerk contact Broomfield Football Club
b.	To note grass cutting of Angel Meadow – information received from Broomfield Football Club
	The Deputy Clerk had received information from Broomfield Football Club that they will continue with the grass cutting of Angel Meadow for the foreseeable future.
519.	Financial Matters
a.	To consider any purchases under budget headings
	At the last Civic Amenities meeting a budget of £150.00 was set aside for the purchasing of bulbs for various locations around the Village. The Chairman suggested that bulbs also be purchased for Centenary Wood. This item will be added to a future agenda for further discussion.
	ACTION: Deputy Clerk add to future agenda
b.	To consider additional items involved in relocating Kick/sports wall
	The Village attendant will be researching the basketball hoop and the Deputy Clerk had researched the netball post. The basketball hoop will need to be positioned on the kick/sports wall once relocated. Members asked the Deputy Clerk to liaise with the Village Attendant and contact Chelmsford City Council regarding the installation of the basketball hoop.
	ACTION: Deputy Clerk Liaise with Village Attendant and contact CCC
c.	To consider quotation regarding works to trees on Church Green as highlighted in the Tree Condition Survey
	The Deputy Clerk was awaiting a quotation for the works to trees on Church Green and will also be submitting a planning application as the trees are protected and are within a Conservation Area.
	ACTION: Deputy Clerk to add to agenda once planning permission had been given and the quotation had been received

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d. To consider request for dog waste bin in the Court Road area

The Committee had discussed this item during previous meetings and all agreed that a letter be sent to Chelmsford City Council asking if Broomfield Parish Council were to fund the bin and installation to support dog owners at the North of the Village would they consider including it in their collection round free of charge.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk send letter

520. To consider Broomfield Cottage Gardeners Society continuing to trade in the Barn if it were to cease all other activities

Councillors Thomson and Tranquada declared an interest in this item. An email had been received from the Treasurer of the Society regarding the above and also requesting what impact this would have on the rent that they currently pay. Members discussed this matter and it was resolved to write to the Society explaining that if they were to cease with activities that were of beneficial use to Parishioners this could have a significant impact on possible future rent of the building. They also asked the Deputy Clerk to seek the market value for such a building.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk write to BCGS and seek market value for the property

521. To consider comments regarding the bench close to the Church on Church Green – email received

An email had been received regarding litter around the recently installed bench and the Village Attendant has been monitoring the site for the last two weeks. He had reported that on every visit he had only found a few items of litter (sweet wrappers etc). Members agreed to ask the Village Attendant to continue to monitor the site and requested that the Deputy Clerk reply to the email. This item will be added to the June agenda.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk reply to email, ask Village Attendant to continue to monitor the site and add item to June agenda

522. To note vehicle hire by Village Attendant

Members decided that Vehicle Hire companies would be contacted regarding invoicing the Parish Council for van hire.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Vehicle Hire companies regarding van hire and Deputy Clerk add to June agenda

523. Bus Shelter adjacent to Felstead Field – to receive update from Councillor Tranquada regarding meeting with City Councillor Knight

Councillor Knight had provided the Parish Council with a Land Registry document detailing the owner of Felstead Field. Members agreed to ask City Councillor Knight to contact the solicitor for the land owner asking if the Parish Council could purchase a small piece of land.

ACTION: Deputy Clerk to email Councillor Knight with request

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524.	To receive Health & Safety Inspections
a.	To note Health & Safety Inspections – carried out by the Village Attendant The Deputy Clerk informed members that the Health and Safety Inspections were kept in the office should they wish to inspect them.
525.	Centenary Wood – to receive update Councillor Tranquada The Chairman reported that general maintenance had recently been carried out to the Wood.
526.	Parish Paths Partnership (P3) – to receive update Councillor Tranquada The Chairman reported that on a recent P3 walk a tree had been cut down that had fallen across a path.
527.	To consider items on the Overarching Strategy Document No further items had been identified to add to the document.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45p.m.

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