

BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Broomfield Parish Council Village Amenities Committee
Held in the Council Office at Broomfield Village Hall
7.30p.m. on Wednesday 10th April 2019**

VA19/28.	Members attending Chairman Councillor Hubble Councillors Howell, Faulds, Steed and Thomson Also Present Deputy Clerk Resolved: No apologies were received
VA19/29.	Declarations of interests Councillor Hubble declared an interest in 19/32 as an allotment holder.
VA19/30.	Public Question Time There were no members of the public present.
VA19/31.	To approve the minutes of the Village Amenities Committee Meeting held 13th March 2019. Resolved: The minutes of the Village Amenities Committee Meeting held on 10 th April 2019 are accepted as a true record. Proposed Councillor Thomson and carried unanimously.
VA19/32.	Allotment Site. Review of allotment waiting list – currently three half and one quarter plots vacant at the present time.
a.	To consider raised beds for children and disabled. The Committee requested that the Deputy Clerk seek information regarding the height of raised beds for wheelchair users. This item will be added to the June VA agenda.
b.	To note that work by Goodgym was carried out on the allotment site recently. Thirteen runners from Goodgym had recently attended the site and carried out work to allotment plot 24c. The Chairman had contacted them regarding an article in the next edition of Broomfield Times.
c.	To consider Broomfield Cottage Gardeners Society holding an open gardens event at the allotment site on Thursday 20th June between 7 – 9p.m. All of the Committee were in agreement with this event.

VA19/33.	Financial Matters.
a.	<p>To consider installing Dog Waste Bins in the North of the Village, opposite Court Road, north of Chelmer Valley High School towards the hospital and on Broomfield Football Clubs land.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to installing a new dog waste bin in the North of the Village to be supplied and fitted by Chelmsford City Council at a cost of £280.00 plus a £100.00 annual service charge. The Deputy Clerk will contact Chelmsford City Council to ask for their guidance regarding the location of the new bin.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that Broomfield Football Club should be requested to contact Chelmsford City Council regarding a dog waste bin on their ground.</p>
b.	<p>To consider ordering black plastic to cover allotment plots not being used at a cost of £54.00.</p> <p>The Committee decided that they would not be ordering black plastic.</p>
VA19/34.	<p>Village of the Year</p> <p>To note that the council has been moved to the second round and a site visit will be arranged for April- May.</p> <p>Councillors thought that it would be a good idea if the visit could be arranged for the 1st May when they could meet some of the residents at the Village Coffee morning.</p>
VA19/35.	<p>Parsonage Green</p> <p>Planning application 19/00360/FUL, Site at the Cottage, the application is for two detached dwellings including the provision of parking, amenity spaces and new vehicle crossovers.</p> <p>This was noted by the Committee.</p>
VA19/36.	<p>To receive Health & Safety Inspections.</p> <p>The Committee noted the Health & Safety Inspections.</p>
VA19/37.	<p>Parish Paths Partnership (P3)</p> <p>To confirm that the Parish Council will be returning the tools to Essex County Council</p> <p>The Deputy Clerk will contact the Public Rights of Way Officer at Essex County Council and arrange a time for the tools to be collected.</p>
VA19/38.	<p>Correspondence Received</p> <p>Letter received from a resident regarding overgrown hedges in School Lane.</p> <p>The Committee decided to reply to the letter thanking them for their comments regarding overhanging hedges in School Lane which have led to problems using a mobility scooter on the pavements. It was also suggested that information be sent regarding the new adventure cycle way that is being constructed on the David Smith field that they may like to use in the future.</p>

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45p.m.