

BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of Broomfield Parish Council Village Amenities Committee
Held Wednesday 9th March 2022**

22/41.	Members attending Chairman Hubble Councillors Faulds, Scott and Steed Also Present Wendy Martin (Assistant to the Clerk) and Donna Hance Apologies were received from Councillor Howell. Proposed Councillor Hubble seconded Councillor Steed.
22/42.	Declarations of interests No declarations of interest were made.
22/43.	Public Question Time No members of the public were present.
22/44.	To approve the minutes of the Village Amenities Committee Meeting held 9th February 2022 Motion: The minutes of the Village Amenities Committee Meeting held on 9 th February 2022 are accepted as a true record. Proposed Councillor Steed seconded Councillor Scott.
22/45.	Allotment Site. Two notice boards on the allotment site had suffered damage over the past weeks. It was suggested that the notice board attached to the barn will be shared with Broomfield Cottage Gardener's society. All members agreed.
22/46.	Financial Matters.
a.	To receive budgets for the Village Amenities Committee. The budgets were noted.
22/47.	Play Area
a.	To note playground resurfacing will commence Monday 7th March. The works to the playground are underway which could take up to three weeks to complete. It was noted that a Perspex window on the ship had been broken and had been removed, members agreed that this will not need to be replaced. The annual playground inspection will be carried out during May/June by ROSPA. This will be an accompanied inspection and a date will be confirmed nearer the time.

22/48.	Church Green Conservation area An oak tree has been planted on Church Green for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and a tree guard is on order along with a plaque to mark the event.
22/49.	Broomfield Allotment Association. The next meeting of Broomfield Allotment Association will take place on 30 th March at Broomfield Village Hall. Councillor Hubble informed members that she has now attended two courses with the National Allotment Association which covered various topics.
22/50.	Trees Trees have now been planted on David Smith field regarding the tree for life scheme and wildflower seeds will be sown soon in the surrounding areas.
22/51.	Broomfield in Bloom It is hoped that work will commence soon regarding new planters in various sites within the Village.
22/52.	Village Amenities 1 – 5-year plan A sign regarding Woodland Warriors using Centenary Wood will be added to the plan.
22/53.	To receive Health & Safety Inspections. There were no recent Health and Safety Inspections at the present time.
22/54.	Angel Meadow Nothing to report at the present time.
22/55.	Parish Paths Partnership The proposal made by the P3 volunteer regarding a walk which will include Broomfield, Little and Great Waltham will be considered at a full Parish Council meeting.
22/56.	Centenary Wood It was reported that fires had been started in the wood recently. The small stream will need maintenance work and will be carried out by volunteers in the future.
22/57.	Offer of help from GOODGYM The Committee agreed that GOODGYM members could help with maintaining an allotment. The Assistant to the Clerk will contact them to arrange a date and request a risk assessment.

22/58.	<p>Platinum Jubilee celebrations</p> <p>Donna Hance informed members that the tree to celebrate the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee had now been planted on Church Green. Members discussed the style of the plaque to be positioned close to the tree and agreed to a design, Proposed Councillor Steed seconded Councillor Hubble.</p>
22/59.	<p>Correspondence Received</p> <p>No correspondence had been received.</p>

The Chairman thanked members for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50p.m.