



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN WILLAND VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2018

Present: Councillor Glover, Councillor Mander, Councillor Manktelow, Councillor Phare, Councillor Scott, Councillor Sellick, Councillor Tobin, Councillor Warren,
In attendance Clerk K Taylor, DCC Councillor Radford, 2 members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Grantham, Councillor Wilcox
2. To receive any declarations of interest from Members for any of the agenda items.
None were declared
3. Councillor Mander took the chair and declared the meeting open at 19:56 and said that it would be recorded.
4. There were no public questions.
5. The Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Thursday 22 February 2018 had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Phare, seconded by Councillor Scott and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.
6. **Progress reports for information**
 - a) Councillor Glover had not been able to progress the idea of the poster competition with the school. She would report back when this had been achieved. Councillor Mander offered to provide her with another contact at the school. **ACTION:** Councillor Mander & Councillor Glover
 - b) Cemetery issues raised at last meeting
 - i) The Clerk confirmed that she is in discussion with the funeral directors with regard to the cemetery.
 - ii) Councillor Warren reported that he had spoken to Councillor Grantham regarding the cemetery extension plans and the SWW pipe work. Councillor Grantham had suggested that in his absence this be moved to the next agenda, this was agreed and it was suggested that the cemetery documents are brought to the next meeting. **ACTION:** Clerk/Councillor Grantham
7. **Improving the state of the village campaign –**
 - a) Community energy funding
It was agreed that the Parish Council was not able to take this forward at this time.
 - b) Complaint received regarding dogs in the cemetery
There was only one recorded complaint about dogs running loose in the cemetery therefore it was agreed that the Council would continue to monitor the situation and that the request to keep dogs on a lead would be put into the next article in the magazine. **ACTION:** Clerk
 - c) Allotment tree safety report
Councillor Phare proposed that the Clerk ask the contractor to provide a report, Councillor Sellick seconded the proposal and it was unanimously agreed. **ACTION:** Clerk
8. **Councillors Roundtable**
 - i) Councillor Warren had circulated a draft letter to MDDC highlighting Parish Council concerns over dog fouling in Willand and enforcement. The Parish Council agreed that the letter would be sent. **ACTION:** Clerk/Councillor Warren

ii) The Clerk had received an email from Andrew Busby at MDDC concerning the Orchard Way play area and he had requested a meeting with the Chair of the Parish Council to discuss the fencing. Following discussion, the Parish Council agreed that it would be acceptable for Councillor Warren to meet with MDDC and report back at the next Environment Committee meeting.

ACTION: Clerk/Councillor Warren

iii) Councillor Phare raised the letter received from the Directors of Willand Pre School expressing interest in leasing part of the Gables building and asked if it should be discussed. There had also been correspondence received from the Trustees and circulated by the Clerk. Councillor Mander declared an interest as a Trustee of the Charity and asked that it was not discussed at this point but put on the next Full Council agenda.

As a result of the discussion at the last Council meeting the Clerk had been asked to contact the Parish Council solicitor which she had done and had received an answer which had been circulated to all Councillors. It was agreed that she would forward the latest letter from the Trustees to him for information. It was agreed that the request from the Pre School would be on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting. It was noted that the deadline for the planning application was 1 July 2018.

Meeting closed 20:33

Councillor Keith Grantham
Chair of Environment Committee