

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD
ON MONDAY 23rd APRIL AT 7PM IN THE MORTIMER ROOM OF THE
TOWN HALL .**

Committee present : Cllrs C Pady, K Clifford, C Collier(for part of the meeting), J Hay, A Parr, R Turner, A Jarman & B Norris, also present S Real, & E Berry (Clerk)

A18/04/01 To receive and accept apologies for absence: none

**A18/04/02 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th July 2017 (Appendix J)
were signed and agreed as being a true record of that meeting,**

A18/04/03 There were no matters arising from the Minutes

A18/04/04 Declarations of interest.

Cllr Parr declared a personal interest in discussion on the CeramTech site under Community Assets as he is a neighbour.

A18/04/05 Democratic Period - opportunity for public questions & comments

A18/04/06 Allotments – Keeping of chickens advice – Under the 1950 Allotment Act allotment holders are allowed to keep livestock (hens & bees) . Advice from another council had been circulated, it was felt to be over complicated and the Clerk will source some more information.

General Update – all allotments will be rented by the end of the month.

A18/04/07 Cemetery extension update

Cllr Turner proposed that the Clerk approaches either Symonds & Sampson or Andy Wilkinson for the map needed to progress the COU application, seconded by Cllr Clifford and agreed by all. It was noted that the Parish Council will have to move the water trough, and harden the track. The two trees will be inspected at the time of the Parish inspection to ascertain whether they will need to be removed.

A18/04/08 Register of Community Assets

Cllr Pady explained that Cllr Godbeer had spoke to him about the Community Asset register and that Colyton Parish Council may want to explore the possibility of registering some of the Ceramtech site?

After much discussion Cllr Norris proposed that he and Cllr Pady speak to the planners and take advice on the feasibility and process of registering part of the Ceramtech site as a community asset, seconded by Cllr Turner and agreed by all

A18/04/09 P3 works for coming year. Footpath 37 needs more drainage work, Cllr Pady will speak to Allan Maclean who did the original work and also the contractors recommended by the DCC Rights of Way officer.

A18/04/10 Community Gardens – Cllr Pady and John Rollings had cut back buddleia and fuchsias in Bridge Gardens but note that it is in need of some more attention, the Clerk will speak to the Promote Colyton group. The tree had been shaped in Mr Bakers Garden and more shrubs trimmed. St Andrews Garden needs attention

and the Clerk reminded the committee that in the budget this coming year provision had been made for someone to help John with that sort of work when weather conditions allow.

A18/04/10 Community Woodland/Picnic site – outdoor school update

Cllr Pady had met with Zelda Rhodes at the site and she was certain it would be very suitable for her forest school skills workshop. She was given the contact details for AVDCS and Rob Beard who had done a lot of work there on their behalf.

A18/04/11 Annual Parish Inspection – Monday June 4th at 7pm.

The clerk will circulate team details,

A18/04/11 Peace Memorial Playing fields – commemorative trees – Cllr K

Clifford. Having given a bit of background and details on the suitability of willows in the area on the bank beside the river Cllr Clifford proposed that 40 x 8ft willow trees, at a cost of £60, are bought from Coates and planted as a memorial to those from Colyton who died in the First World War. Seconded by Cllr Parr and agreed by all.

Funds are available from the local Royal British Legion donation to the war memorial fund and they are happy that some of it is spent on this project in this the 100th anniversary of the end of the Great War.

A18/04/12 Date of next Meetings,

Annual Parish Meeting – Wednesday 25th April 7pm

May CPC – Monday 14th May

May Finance & Planning – TBC

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.