

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY
27th FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7:00PM IN THE COLYTON TOWN HALL.**

Present: Cllr K Mills, S Real, A Stenning, C Denny, J Gardiner, A Mills, C Pady, A Parr, K Clifford, J Hay and R Turner. Also S Haines (clerk)

Members of public: 0

A23/02/80 To receive and accept apologies for absence. Cllrs Jarman and Arnott.

A23/02/81 The minutes of the last Amenities committee meeting held 21st November 2022 (appendix U) were approved during the December full meeting. Noted.

A23/02/82 Matters arising from the Minutes. None.

A23/02/83 Declarations of interest. None.

A23/02/84 Democratic Period. No members of public present.

A23/02/85 Homes needed for two Horse Chestnut trees. The clerk reported that the handyman has already planted the trees in the hedge at Millfield due to a miscommunication between him and Cllr Pady. Cllr K Mills stated that it was agreed during the last meeting that that location was not appropriate for those trees, in many years to come the trees will overshadow the top allotment plot and also will drop conkers on the plot. He proposed the trees be moved, seconded by Cllr Gardiner. This was agreed by the majority, Cllr Parr proposed they be planted at the Playing Fields by the river, this was seconded by Cllr Denny and agreed. Clerk to organise with handyman.

A23/02/86 Cllr K Mills report of the allotment plots 12A and B. Cllr K Mills has circulated to the council photos that he has taken of the bottom plots, he reported that there is a huge pile of rubbish which is not the result of cultivation, there is also a gap in the bottom hedge which is well trodden. He stated that the Council need to decide what to do with this plot, it could be cleared and the drainage sorted out and then be rented. He encouraged the Council to go up and have a look so this can be discussed during the next meeting.

A23/02/87 Possible sign needed for the new fire point at the PMPF. The clerk confirmed that the handyman has completed the task of improving the fire assembly point at the PMPF. The handyman has suggested a simple "Fire assembly point" sign may be necessary. This was agreed, handyman to purchase.

A23/02/88 Meeting with P3 officers – Thursday 9th March 10am. Cllr Pady confirmed the dates of this meeting and invited Cllrs to attend.

A23/02/89 Letter of thanks received from a resident for planting the trees at Road Green. Noted.

A23/02/90 Items brought to the Chairs attention after the agenda was published to be noted.

Cllr Pady spoke of an event he wishes to organise to celebrate the Parish and the environment, he originally booked the Town Hall for April but the clerk advised him not to go ahead due to the pre-election period. He is now looking to hold the even on 19th and 20th May.

There has been a report of a fallen headstone up at the cemetery, handyman to look and report the name so the owners can be contacted.

The handyman found a small Rowan tree at the picnic site which had been ring-barked. The damage was so severe that the handyman has had to cut the tree down as it would not survive. Clerk has reported to the police.

The hedge at PMPF has still not been cut. Cllr Pady to chase Andy Hurford to complete works before the nesting season.

A23/02/91 Date of next Meetings,

Full CPC Meeting – Monday 13th March

Committees – Monday 27th March.

Meeting closed: 20:15.