



Minutes of the Parks & Open Spaces and Climate Change Committee meeting of East Hunsbury Parish Council held on **Tuesday 28th June 2022** at 7pm at Hunsbury Library.

Present: Cllr M Allen, Cllr B Burnell, Cllr C Douglas, Cllr P Draper, Cllr K Moore, Cllr M Roach

Also present: Mrs C Holgate (Clerk)

Item no	
PSC22/001	Election of Chairman of the Parks & Open Spaces and Climate Change Committee Cllr Douglas was proposed by Cllr Allen and seconded by Cllr Moore and elected by show of hands.
PSC22/002	Apologies for absence Apologies were received from Cllr Campbell (parish council commitment - meeting re SEGRO), Cllr Lewis (parish council commitment - Police Liaison Rep meeting), and Cllr Warden (personal commitment) RESOLVED to approve the apologies.
PSC22/003	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee meeting held on Tuesday 22nd February 2022 The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 22 nd February 2022 (copies of which being folio 3-4 having been previously circulated) were approved as a true record.
PSC22/004	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the Climate Change Committee meeting held on Tuesday 21st October 2021. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21 st October 2021 (copies of which being folio 1 having been previously circulated) were approved as a true record.
PSC22/005	Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest were received.
PSC22/006	Trees <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Members were updated on the cherry tree avenue which will be planted as part of the Queens Green Canopy. Planting will take place towards the end of November and will include areas in Blacky More open space, Granary Road East open space and Granary Road West open space. RESOLVED to apply for six free commemorative QGC plaques from West Northamptonshire Council. Members were updated on the Community Orchard which will be planted in Grangewood Park. Twenty heritage fruit trees will be planted during National Trees week. Schools have been asked to participate. Members suggested that Rowtree Road and the area at the bottom of Hill Farm Rise are considered for tree planting. As the main corridor through the parish, Rowtree Road would benefit from trees along its route.
PSC22/007	Memorial Benches The committee were asked to consider the parish council position on installation of memorial benches in parks and open spaces owned by the parish council. RESOLVED that privately funded memorial benches should not be allowed in parks and open spaces owned by the parish council. RESOLVED that a privately funded tree and memorial plaque would be agreed subject to the parish council agreeing the location and species. A policy will be developed for adoption.

PSC22/008	<p>Penvale Park</p> <p>a. The Clerk gave an overview of the work that will be done to the brook in Penvale Park. Funding has been awarded by Nature Bid for the work which will start in Autumn 2023. Specialist contractors will be engaged to carry out the work and the River Nene Trust will recommend trusted contractors.</p> <p>b. Members considered the request received to update the basketball hoop in Penvale Park. Quotes have been obtained to install a tarmac surface and better fencing around the hoop of around £18,000. Members agreed that this is not a priority for the council and there is no available budget for this work.</p>
PSC22/009	<p>Flood Mitigation/Pathfinder project</p> <p>The Pathfinder project has not moved on and we await the final report.</p>
PSC22/010	<p>Planning for the future</p> <p>a. The draft Management Plan for Grangewood Park will be sent to members for their comments.</p> <p>b. A consultation will be drafted to ask residents for their “wish list” for the parks and open spaces owned by the parish council.</p>
PSC22/011	<p>School Parking</p> <p>RESOLVED to design and print banners for the local schools to display reminding people to turn off their engines.</p>
PSC22/012	<p>Bus Shelter Living Roofs</p> <p>Members agreed in principle to installing living roofs on the bus shelters owned by the parish council. Clerk will investigate renovation costs for the shelters and the costs for installing roofs.</p>
PSC22/013	<p>Making the Parish Council environmentally friendly</p> <p>Members discussed ways the parish council could be more environmentally friendly. It was agreed that paper use could be reduced, and use of tablets would be investigated. It was agreed that quotes would be sought to the installation of a projector at Blacky More Community Centre which could be used for parish council meetings.</p>
PSC22/014	<p>To consider recycling initiatives and promotion of recycling ideas</p> <p>RESOLVED that the next edition of the parish magazine would include a recycling feature and local schools would be asked to contribute.</p>
	<p>Close</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8.32pm</p>