

Shavington-cum-Gresty Council
Environment and Recreation Committee meeting
Main Road,
Shavington, Crewe
CW2 5DP



MINUTES of the meeting held on
Wednesday 19 January 2022¹

In attendance: Cllr Adam, Ferguson, K Gibbs
Mrs Barlow

ScG R&E/21/3/1	<i>To receive apologies for absence</i>
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Buchanan and Hancock.
ScG R&E/21/3/2	<i>To note declarations of Members' interests</i>
	No declaration was raised.
ScG R&E/21/3/3	<i>To confirm and sign the minutes of the Environment and Recreation Committee Meeting hold on 20 October 2021</i>
	RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the previous meeting are approved and signed as an accurate record.
ScG R&E/21/3/4	<i>Public Participation</i> <i>A period not exceeding 20 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments</i>
	No comment was made.
ScG R&E/21/3/5	<i>To receive and consider an update about the Gresty Lane Allotments</i>
	The Clerk updated Members with regards to Gresty Lane Allotments. Members NOTED the update. RESOLVED: that following the meeting with the Allotment Holders, a recommendation is made to the Parish Council to review the Allotment Policy as follows:

¹ The meeting started 19:48hrs

	<p>a. Clause 3.14 <i>“Tenants are permitted to use the main water system only while their plot is being attended.”</i></p> <p>b. Clause 4.5 <i>“The Council will assist security by providing boundary fences and/or hedges, with lockable access gates at every site. Every tenant will be provided with an access gate key or code for their personal use only. In the interests of maintaining security tenants are asked not to make copies for others to use. Where keys are provided by the Council they remain the property of the Council, and together with any additional copies must be returned to the Council when a tenancy comes to an end.”</i></p> <p>c. <i>“Grandfather rights shall apply up to the date in which this policy has been approved by Council”</i></p> <p>d. Clause 7.7 <i>“In the event of the death of an allotment plot holder the Parish Council shall be notified, and the tenancy of an allotment plot shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing, terminate at the end of the yearly agreement.”</i></p> <p>e. Clause 8.3 <i>“A reduced Allotment Rent is offered to tenants who are in receipt of an income-based benefit and/or state pension.”</i></p> <p>Members NOTED Tenants’ comments on clause 3.6 and agreed to defer any recommendations to Council until they get a unanimous view on the matter from the Allotment representative².</p>
<p>ScG R&E/21/3/6</p>	<p><i>To receive and consider an update with regards to the Vine Tree play area</i></p>
	<p>The Clerk and Cllr Ferguson briefed Members with regards to Vine Tree play area.</p> <p>Members NOTED the update.</p> <p>RESOLVED: that the annual inspection report and the risk assessment are accepted and noted.</p>
<p>ScG R&E/21/3/7</p>	<p><i>To consider an update with regards to the procurement process for the acquisition of recreational land in the Parish</i></p>
	<p>Members NOTED the update.</p>

² Mrs Barlow left the meeting at 20:34 hrs

ScG R&E/21/3/8	<i>To note and consider lorry issues within the Parish</i>
	Cllr K Gibbs briefed Members with regards to the item. Members NOTED the update.
ScG R&E/21/3/9	<i>To consider proposals for ground maintenance service in the Parish for 2022/23 and to consider to select and appoint the awarded supplier.</i> <i>To consider to delegate the Clerk to sign the contract in accordance with the Council Finance Regulations</i>
	Clerk updated Members with regards to the item. Members NOTED the update. RESOLVED: that the following recommendations are made to Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. That the contract is awarded to Green Living Horticultural Ltdb. That a towed water bowser is purchased as per contractor requirement, with a budget up to £1,000. (Cost centre: Environment and Recreation – cost code: General Amenities)c. That the Clerk is authorised to sign the contract with the awarded contractor on behalf of the Council

Meeting closed at 21:01 hrs

Chair: Cllr Ferguson

Clerk: S Garnero