

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



MINUTES of the meeting held on
Wednesday 20 October 2021

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

ScG R&E/21/2/1	<i>To receive apologies for absence</i>
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hancock.
ScG R&E/21/2/2	<i>To note declarations of Members' interests</i>
	No declaration was raised.
ScG R&E/21/2/3	<i>To confirm and sign the minutes of the Environment and Recreation Committee Meeting hold on 30 June 2021</i>
	RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the previous meeting are approved and signed as an accurate record.
ScG R&E/21/2/4	<i>Public Participation</i> <i>A period not exceeding 20 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments</i>
	A member of the public raised the need for a playfield in the Parish. Members NOTED the comment.
ScG R&E/21/2/5	<i>To receive an update with regards to Gresty Lane Allotments and consider alternative arrangement for Plot 16</i>
	The Clerk and Mrs Barlow updated Members with regards to Gresty Lane Allotments. RESOLVED: that plot 16 is divided in two: plot 16a (right) and 16b (left). And that Mrs Barlow is instructed to contact the other tenants to clean plot 16(a) at no cost for the Parish Council.

<p>ScG R&E/21/2/6</p>	<p><i>To receive and consider an update with regards to the Vine Tree play area and ASB issue</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 due to ongoing ABS issues in the area, the current arrangements to close the play area at night-time are kept, and will be reviewed on the January meeting.</p> <p>The play will be closed every night at 6pm with the help of a volunteer.</p>
<p>ScG R&E/21/2/7</p>	<p><i>To consider a Commemorative Bench sponsorship agreement and to note an update with regards to the Commemorative Bench Trail</i></p>
	<p>Members NOTED the report.</p> <p>RESOLVED: that the Commemorative Bench Sponsorship agreement is approved and recommended to Full Council subject to the following amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Item 1 amended as follow “1. Bench sponsorship is for a period of 10 years from the day payment is received either for the refurbishment of an existing bench, or provision of a new bench. The estimated lifespan of commemorative benches is 10 years, but as benches are kept outside this cannot be guaranteed. If after 10 years a commemorative bench is deemed to be in a good state of repair, it may remain in position at the discretion of the Parish Council until it becomes beyond repair when it will be removed from the position. Any plaques will be removed and returned to Shavington-cum-Gresty Parish Council who will contact the sponsor to enquire if they wish for the plaque to be returned to them. “ - Item 3 amended as follow “The amount of the sponsorship might vary and will depend on the market price of the bench, and will cover the cost of purchase, delivery and installation of the bench.” - Item 7 amended as follow “7. The bench will be placed in the desired area on delivery, but it could be moved and therefore its location cannot be guaranteed. The Parish Council cannot take responsibility for this movement and if the benches are moved, Council staff may not be able to search for or locate them.
<p>ScG R&E/21/2/8</p>	<p><i>To note an update with regards to ground maintenance works done in Vine Tree and Village Hall Memorial Garden</i></p>
	<p>Clerk briefed Members with regards to the item.</p> <p>Members NOTED the update.</p>

ScG R&E/21/2/9	<i>To consider proposals for an interim contract for the ground maintenance service from November 2021 to March 2022</i>
	Clerk updated Members with regards to the item. Members NOTED the update. RESOLVED: that the Clerk is instructed to request more quotes
ScG R&E/21/2/10	<i>To consider proposal for a regular ground maintenance service for 2022/23</i>
	Members NOTED the update. RESOLVED: that the Clerk is instructed to request more quotes for the service. And that the job specs are reviewed and proportioned by either location or job type
ScG R&E/21/2/11	<i>To note an update with regards to the HS2 Community grant scheme</i>
	Members NOTED the report.
ScG R&E/21/2/12	<i>To consider an update with regards to the procurement process for the acquisition of recreational land</i>
	Members NOTED the report. RESOLVED: that the consultant is instructed to progress into stage 3 (technical constraint report) for site 5. That an informal negotiation is started with the landowner (with the caveat that a car access to the land should be included). And that the consultant is requested to provide a quote for the next step (such legal fees, and cost to enter into negotiation,)
ScG R&E/21/2/13	<i>To consider and inform the budget setting process for 2022/23 financial year</i>
	Members NOTED the report. RESOLVED: that the draft budget is approved subject to the following amendments: - Ground maintenance £24,000 RESOLVED: That the budget is recommended to Full Council.
ScG R&E/21/2/14	<i>To note the date of the next Environment and Recreation Meeting – 19 January 2022</i>
	Members NOTED the date of the next meeting.

Meeting Closed at 2201hrs

Chair: Cllr Ferguson

Clerk: S Garnero