

SOUTH BRENT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of the Open Spaces Committee held on Monday 4th November 2019 at 7.30 p.m., in The Old School Centre, Totnes Road, South Brent.

Open Forum: nothing was raised.

OS 1-11-19 Election of Chairman

Cllr Peter Kelly was nominated by Cllr Glyn Richards seconded by Cllr Carol Doree and Cllr Peter Kelly was elected Chairman of the Committee.

OS 2-11-19 Record of members present.

Cllr Peter Kelly in the Chair, Cllrs Carol Doree, Lissette Granados, Glyn Richards, Jill Cruz and Katharine Griffiths clerk to the Council were present.

OS 3-11-19 Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Paul Fennessy.

OS 4-11-19 Declarations of interest (and nature) with regard to items on the agenda

Cllr Glyn Richards declared a personal interest in item 8 (E) on the agenda, as his daughter is the park keeper.

OS 5-11-19 Consider the granting of dispensations

No applications.

OS 6-11-19 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda

None.

OS 7-11-19 Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting and report any matters arising – for information only

Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed.

OS 8-11-19 Update on the following:

- A. Station Yard: the quote from I civil is has been agreed to by full council. This will be followed up to get the repairs carried out.
Consideration needs to be given when the lease is reviewed as to whether it is possible for any parking charges to be imposed.
Station Yard is within the conservation area and permission will be required prior to work being carried out on the trees.
- B. Vicarage Road Allotment Field: the allotment Association is currently applying for funding to replace the generator with solar panels.
- C. Grounds maintenance: all is currently going well with the Grounds maintenance.
Consideration could be given as to whether any further areas could be used by 4B's for further wildflower planting. If a request was received it could be considered.
- D. Railway Wood: report dates of inspections carried out, and plan future inspections.
Future inspections:, Nov – CD, Dec – LG, Jan – PK, Feb – PF, March – CD.
- E. Play area at Sanderspool Cross any repairs or maintenance required (update from the park keeper), There are two loose tiles in the toilet behind the door. SHDC will be contacted to repair.
The bench seat by the roundabout is rotten. The parish handyman will be asked to look at the rotten bench to see if it can be repaired.

F. Bus shelters Due to the shelters being graffitied the parish handyman has cleaned and removed the graffiti and painted where necessary.

OS 9-11-19 Budget request for 20-21

The budget for 19-20 was £2500. Consideration will need to be given to the financing of the arboriculture work that is required. Financing of the fencing around the playpark will also need to be considered. After a discussion it was decided to put a recommendation forward to full council for a budget of £5000 for the year 2020-21.

OS 10-11-19 Annual inspection of seats, troughs, signs etc. (list attached: any works required to be reported to the clerk).

Cllr Peter Kelly offered to carry out the inspection.

OS 11-11-19 Any items for the next agenda, and the date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be 17th February 2020

The meeting closed at 8.31 p.m.