

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on
Monday 12th February 2024 at 7.30pm, in the Parish Office, 2 Killick Way, Williton.

Attendees:

Councillors	Denton (Chairman), de Burgh-Thomas, Aldridge, Nye, Payne, Peeks, White
Public	None
Other	Mrs Charlotte Hirst (Committee Clerk)

Apologies:

Councillors	None
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23/143B It was advised the meeting would be recorded

23/144B Apologies as noted above and reasons for absence approved as indicated (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

23/145B Declarations of Interest

Cllr Peeks, 23/148.2B personal interest as Parish Path Liaison Officer, 23/148.5B personal interest lobbied by D Gliddon, 23/150.3B personal interest as Parish Path Liaison Officer.

23/146B Approval of Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee meeting held on 15th January 2024

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes. **Proposed Cllr. Payne seconded Cllr. Nye** three abstentions due to absence.

23/147B Matters from the Minutes

23/147.1B It was noted that the works had been completed at 23 Long Street, item 23/128.2B.

23/147.2B It was noted that a letter from Cllr Woods had been forwarded to Somerset Council, item 23/128.3B.

23/148B Correspondence

23/148.1B It was noted that Somerset Council had confirmed that the repair to the railing by the Railway Bridge is a temporary fix.

23/148.2B Cllr Peeks was aware of the report of the footpath running between Doniford Road and North Road and that the gate had been changed to a Bristol Gate. Cllr Peeks had spoken to Somerset Council. The gate must be unlocked so that any disabled user are able to open the large part of the gate to gain access. If a resident finds the gate locked they should report this.

23/148.3B It was agreed that if the footpath between Williton Hospital and Shutgate Meadow should become overgrown it would be reported.

23/148.4B It was unanimously agreed to report the person sleeping on their boat at the Queen Bee site **proposed Cllr Peeks seconded Cllr Aldridge unanimously resolved.**

23/148.5B A request for a meeting had been received from J Gliddon and Sons Limited for a meeting to discuss pavements. Cllr Aldridge proposed to invite J Gliddon and Sons to attend the next EPC meeting seconded by Cllr Nye. An amendment was proposed by Cllr Payne to have a general meeting with J Gliddon and Sons and Katherine Tyson from Somerset Highways, seconded by Cllr White. A vote was taken on the amendment with four in favour three against. The vote replaced the previous motion as a substantive motion. As no further amendment was proposed a vote was taken on the substantive motion to hold and general meeting with J Gliddon and Sons and Katherine Tyson of Somerset Highways, which passed with four votes in favour and three against.

23/149B To Consider the Following Planning Applications

23/149.1B There were no planning applications to consider.

23/149.2B To Note the Following Planning Decisions

23/149.2B There were no new planning decisions to note.

23/150B Highways Matters

23/150.1B Robert Street - Cllr White confirmed that he would take the requested photos of roads signs that need replacing on and forward them to the Committee Clerk.

23/150.2B It was noted that a positive meeting had been held between Magna Housing and Kathrine Tyson of Somerset Highways, regarding the parking issues at North Croft and the surrounding roads and a response was awaited.

23/150.3B Cllr Peeks informed the Committee that Somerset Council are looking into the change of the Kissing gate to Bristol gate and removal of hedge at Catwell it was agreed that this item should come off the agenda until Cllr Peeks had further information from Somerset Council.

23/151B Items to Report on Footpaths/Pavements

23/151.1B It was agreed that Cllr Peeks would arrange a meeting with Somerfield, Alpha Management Company, Linden Homes and Residents association to discuss the blocked foot path at Aller Mead ensuring to copying in the Parish Office with all correspondence. Proposed Cllr Peeks seconded Cllr Nye and amendment from Cllr Aldridge that Cllr Peeks attend this meeting. Unanimously agreed.

23/151.2B It was noted that the Community Payback Scheme had been requested to clear the graffiti at St Peters Close. It was agreed that if any works that would be on private residents property a letter would need to be sent out prior to any work being carried out granting permission.

23/153B Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers

23/153.1B Bridge Green – Noting to report.

23/153.2B Bellamy's Corner – a proposal from the Finance and Administration Committee to consider a TPO (tree preservation order) a resolution was passed not to accept this proposal Proposed Cllr Aldridge seconded Cllr Peeks one abstention.

23/153.3B Street Furniture – nothing to report

Cllr. Aldridge confirmed that he intended to erect the finger posts; Cllr Denton confirmed he was happy to assist.

23/154B Flooding Matters

23/154.1B It was noted that the Flood Group would need more volunteers for the Flood Plan to progress. A representative from the Williton Response Group (Flood Group) would attend the What's on Williton event to engage with local residents.

23/155B Disrepair of BT Phone Box, North Croft, Williton

It was noted that the broken window had been reported to BT.

23/156B Community Payback Scheme

A list of works for the Community Payback Scheme was discussed.

23/157B Play Equipment in Recreation Ground

23/157.1B It was reported by Cllr Payne that nobody attended the two drop-in sessions.

23/157.2B A discussion took place regarding the replacement of the play equipment it was agreed to wait until after the What's on Williton event when it was hoped that public feedback would be received, after which a decision would be taken on what equipment could be considered and at that point quotations could be sought. Proposed Cllr White seconded Cllr Aldridge unanimously agreed.

23/158B Flagpole

It was noted that the Flagpole would be erected on Bellamy's corner

23/159B Matters for the next Meeting to be held on 11th March 2024

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed as a true and correct record ..Cllr Denton..... Dated ...11/03/24.....