



# New Alresford Town Council

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Community and Open Space Committee held at Arlebury Park on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022 commencing at 7.30pm

Name	Present	Apologies	Absent
Cllr Cavell (Chair) (AS)	✓		
Cllr Bean (AB)	✓		
Cllr Byrne (MB)	✓		
Cllr Divall (KD)	✓		
Cllr Evans (SE)		✓	
Cllr Holmes (SH)	✓		
Cllr Sprott (AS)	✓		
Cllr Weston		✓	
Mr Horgan (Tennis)			
Mr Ramseyer (ATYFC)			
Mr Scriven (ATFC)			
Mr Weston (ARFC)			

**ALSO PRESENT:** Sarah Johnson – Deputy Clerk

The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

### **C22/001 Apologies for absence.**

Apologies received from Cllr Evans and Weston.

**RESOLVED:** That apologies are accepted

Proposed: KD	Second: AB
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### **C22/002 Dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests under section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.**

None received

### **C22/003 Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests on items on the agenda.**

None

### **C22/004 Public participation**

None present

### **C22/005 Minutes and recommendations of the Recreation and Environment Committee meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes and recommendations of the Recreation and Environment meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 be approved

Proposed: AB	Second: MB
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**C22/006 Election of Vice Chair for Community and Open Space Committee for municipal year 2022/23**

**RESOLVED:** That the Vice Chair for the Community and Open Space Committee for municipal year 2022/23 is Councillor Byrne

Proposed: SC	Second: AB
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**C22/007 Sports Club updates**

None received

**C22/008 Clerks Report**

The report was noted.

**C22/009 Chairs Update**

An event to open the new playground will be held on Thursday 21st July at 2:00/2:30 in conjunction with Sun Hill Infants and Junior Schools. Other groups/ schools will be invited. Representatives from the Council will also attend assemblies at both schools on 13<sup>th</sup> July to share details about the project.

Chris Matthews has kindly straightened up one of the trees in Arlebury Park. One of the new trees in Arlebury Park has unfortunately died.

The Clerk will share dates for a proposed walkabout of the open spaces.

The logs that have been used to block the 'dog dip' in Memorial Gardens to prevent erosion have been removed, apparently purposefully.

At the next Committee meeting, the 5 year plan and youth engagement activities will be considered.

**C22/010 Councillor Scheme of Delegation for Community and Open Space Committee**

The committee considered delegating roles to individual Councillors.

**RESOLVED: That Council are asked to consider the use of Schemes of Delegation across Committees**

Proposed: MB	Second: AS
Against: KD	

**C22/011 Ash Dieback Survey**

The Council have received one quote from Hampshire Council Arboricultural Services for £345.80 to carry out a survey in Summer 2022 on 24 trees identified as suffering from Ash dieback across the Council open spaces, as recommend in their survey undertaken in June 2021.

**RESOLVED: That the quote for £345.80 from Hampshire Council Arboricultural Services to undertake an ash dieback survey of 24 trees in the council public open spaces is accepted**

Proposed: AS	Second: MB
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**C22/012 Request from Alresford Rugby Club to install a close board fence around container adjacent to Alresford Recreation Centre**

A motion to accept the installation of a close board fence around the rugby container was proposed. The motion was not passed.

An amendment to the motion was proposed

**RESOLVED: That in principle cladding of the rugby container by Alresford Recreation centre is approved, but the container be clad in a more suitable material to be agreed by the Committee**

Proposed: MB	Second: AB
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**C22/013 Quote for dust limestone for petanque court**

Two quotes have been received for 20 tonnes of dust limestone, which is the required amount to top up the petanque court at Arlebury Park by 4cm, for £675 and £1445

**RESOLVED: That the quote for £675 from Playsafe Playgrounds for supply and delivery of 20 tonnes 6mm to dust limestone be accepted for the petanque court in Arlebury Park, subject to a method statement for accessing the park safely**

Proposed: AB	Second: AS
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**C22/014 Layout of Arlebury Park outdoor gym and sign**

Two suggested layouts for the new outdoor gym at Arlebury Park were considered, a rectangular layout and a squarer layout. The proposed sign was also considered

**RESOLVED: That the rectangular layout for the outdoor gym at Arlebury Park is approved and the sign agreed subject to amendments to the text and logos**

Proposed: KD	Second: AB
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**Recommendation:** That Council consider developing new branding and uniform signage across all the Council facilities

**C22/015 Sign and bin for new playground at Stratton Bates**

**RESOLVED: That the layout of the sign for the new playground is approved subject to amendments to the text**

Proposed: AS	Second: MB
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**RESOLVED: That bins in the new playground at Stratton Bates are deferred to a future meeting of the Committee**

Proposed: KD	Second: AS
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**C22/016 Playground Inspection reports**

The playground inspection reports were received.

**C22/017 Request for memorial plaque on Millennium walk bench**

A request has been received to locale a plaque in memory of two swans on a bench on the Millennium Walk.

This request was not approved as it was felt not to be in line with the Council's tree policy which does not allow for mementoes including memorial plaques. It was suggested a more suitable location might be the duck feeding table.

**C22/018 Open space maintenance schedule**

**Recommendation:** That the current priorities for open space maintenance are repairs to the fence at the entrance to the allotments and repairs to the goal mouths in Arlebury Park, Sun Hill Recreation Ground and Stratton Bates Recreation Ground.

**C22/019 Action plan to combat vandalism around Arlebury Park football pitch**

Increasingly, broken glass is being found on the football pitch and surrounding football paths, and there continues to be vandalism in the football stands.

**Recommendation:** To talk to the police about what they recommend, refer to Operations and Resources Committee in relation to their investigation into CCTV and lighting, and converse with Alresford Town football Club about the possibility of installing shutters/ barriers on the stands.

**C22/020 Quote for watering new trees at Arlebury Park**

A quote has been received from Hanging Gardens to water the 30 new trees at Arlebury Park, at a cost of £60 per visit.

**RESOLVED: That the quote from Hanging Gardens to water 30 trees at Arlebury Park, at a cost of £60 per visit be approved, up to maximum of £960 over 16 weeks**

Proposed: AS	Second: MB
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**C22/021 Request from resident to relocate bench at Rosebery Road/ Stratton Bates Recreation Ground**

This item was passed as the same request was acknowledged as part of item R21/130

**C22/022 Car park stewarding at Jubilee event**

A quote for £1018.60 has been obtained for stewarding the car park at Arlebury Park on 4<sup>th</sup> June for the Jubilee event.

**RESOLVED: That the quote from Venture Security Management for £1018.60 for stewarding the car park at Arlebury Park on 4<sup>th</sup> June for the Jubilee event be approved**

Proposed: MB	Second: KD
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**C22/023 Funfair request to visit Stratton Bates Recreation Ground**

The funfair has requested to visit Stratton Bates Recreation Ground between 7th and 20th June 2022.

This request was refused because it coincides with the dates for the installation of the new playground at Stratton Bates Recreation Ground.

**C22/024 Quote for removing cricket strip and re-siting goal posts at Arlebury Park**

One quote has been received for removing the cricket strip at Arlebury Park and re-siting the goal posts for the junior pitch.

This might be necessary for the installation of the new outdoor gym in the preferred location at Arlebury Park. However, this issue was debated

**RESOLVED: That up to £2910 for re-siting the two goal posts and removing the cricket strip be approved and further quotes sought**

Proposed: AB	Second: KD
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**Recommendation:** To talk to Hampshire Football Association about appropriate pitch sizes were the pitch to be moved and recommend to Council that the Outdoor Gym EMR be increased to £4000

The meeting ended at 21:45

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022**