

ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on 26 September 2019 at Eccleston Community Hub, Drapers Avenue, Eccleston.

Present Cllrs M Miller (Chairman), D Bonney, C Heath and H Thomas.

Also present 1 Member of the public.

17.19 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors K Brown and D Miller. Councillor Brown had advised of her intention to stand down from the Committee.

18.19 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

19.19 Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 August 2019

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

20.19 Millennium Green

Site visits had been carried out by two contractors and suggestions for improvements put forward together with an initial cost. From the original schedule additional work had been identified which could be completed whilst the contractors were on site. Councillors discussed the advantages of including further work to be carried out whilst the contractor was on site.

Resolved: the quotation for the initial works was accepted. The Clerk was authorised to liaise with the contractor for other work, including the trees around the pond area, and agree additional works up to maximum spend of £2200.

21.19 Tidy ups

Areas for tidy ups were discussed. The Millennium Green is to be left until the contractors had completed their work. The WI Rose bed on the Village Green was reported as being in need of attention and this will be mentioned to the WI.

A tidy up of the copse on the Recreation Ground is to be carried out on 19 October and a poster inviting residents to join in will be displayed.

22.19 Seat on Recreation Ground

A request from two dog walkers for a seat adjacent to the football pitch was discussed. The location was not considered appropriate and Members will identify more suitable sites on the Tidy up day.

23.19 Updates

Village Green - the bed around the silhouette and the shingle bed have been planted up.

Entrance sign - permission from Lancashire County Council for the erection of the sign on the highway verge had not been received and it was noted there was an issue with the signage erected for Heskin.

Langton Close Play Area - a site plan of the area has been delivered to the Parish Council's solicitor.

Invasive Species course - Chorley Council had advised the course is over two full days and included field training and must be held during weekdays.

Hawthorns Play Area - confirmation of the nature of the funding has been received from Chorley Council and updated quotations are to be requested, including gates and fencing at the entrances.

24.19 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 31 October 2019.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.