Wheatley Parish Council Open Spaces Committee

Monday 17th July in the Parish Office at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Roger Bell (RB), Sarah Coleridge (SC), Paula Hood (Chair) (PH), Ian Roberts (IR), Geoff Stephens (GS).

Officer: Michelle Legg (Clerk)

Members of Public: 1

No Item Action

- 17. APOLOGIES for Absence none received
- 18. **DECLARATIONS of Interest -** none
- MINUTES/NOTES and ACTIONS from previous meetings/walkabouts
 i.) Monday 15th May previously circulated by the Clerk signed by chair as a true record.

Clerk/Chair to raise 'spending powers for OSC at next Finance Committee.

Clerk/ PH Clerk

Deadlines to be added to actions. Clerk to action

Email discussions to aid progress of actions but decisions will be made at meeting.

ii) Monday 16th June – previously circulated by the Clerk.

20. TO DISCUSS High St Improvement Report

A discussion took place between committee members on a response to the report including alternative disabled bays locations.

It was agreed to spend further time looking at the site and report.

Clerk to send invites and to circulate Agenda

The committee thanked the High St Improvement Group for their work and have decided to investigate the suggestion of dissolving the HSIG and will report on this in the future.

Clerk

21. TO DISCUSS Parish Burial Ground

Chair has arranged a meeting with Nigel Hawkes for Friday 21st July to discuss the issue. WNP has identified several locations.

PH/PG

22. TO DISCUSS Grass Cutting in the Village

Clerk has been and continues to chase one contractor to make sure the all verges are being cut. Clerk has asked for a meeting with the contract manager.

23. TO DISCUSS

i) Coopers Close - Cllr Stephens confirmed the earlier resolution to explore legal ownership of the land.

Conveyancer and financial support required to guide us though the process. It was also agreed to create a database of land.

Clerk to assist committee members

Clerk/ All

- i) Littleworth Path Cllr Stephens is still to meet with Richard Taylor.
- 24. TO DISCUSS Repairs to Rock Face in Church Road Rec Quotes from Tree Surveyor received and agreed for a full written report. Clerk to action
- 25. TO DISCUSS Ambrose Rise Ditch To be viewed at the next walkabout.
- 26. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE on matters relating to Wheatley Playing Fields & Pavilion Previously circulated.
- 27. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE on matters relating to Littleworth Playing Fields Previously circulated.

Proposals will be presented to Full Council which is likely to include a committee of two representatives from each of the community stakeholders as well as three open seats for specialists.

- 28. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE on matters relating to Littleworth Allotments No update received.
- 29. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE on any other open spaces
 - i) Railway cutting: Wheatley Wanderers have completed clearing the Railway line. Cllr Hood asked for thanks to be passed on.
 - ii) Land close to 1 Keydale Rd. Planning Committee are asking for OCC to revoke the sale of the land.

The OSC would consider any potential purchase if it became available.

- 30. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED none
- 31. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION none
- **32. DATE OF NEXT MEETING -** EGM of OSC 7pm, Tue 8th Aug at 'Toilet Square, followed by a meeting at Parish Office.

MEETING CLOSED AT 21:00