



# whitchurch town council

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### PRESENT

Councillors: J. De-Wyrall A. Hotchkiss A. Jackson P. Lea J. Morris

Proper Officer: Mike McDonald

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Councillors: A. Hall, M. Ridgway Public: 0 x Members of the Public

This meeting was held at the Whitchurch & District Club because of issues with the original venue.

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The meeting was opened at 7.00pm by Committee Chairman, Cllr Lea

#### 1. Apologies

No Apologies were received from Councillors for this meeting.

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of Councillors' Disclosure of Ordinary or Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in relation to the agenda items in this meeting were received.

#### 3. Minutes

After a proposal by Cllr Morris, seconded by Cllr De-Wyrall, the minutes of the Parks & Public Realm Committee Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record of that meeting.

#### 4. Public Participation

No Members of the public were present at this meeting.

#### 5. Action Point Update

The Committee discussed a verbal update from the Proper Officer on actions from previous meetings:

- a. **Football Pitches WTC/PPR/02/2223** – currently in progress / completed
- b. **Dog Fouling WTC/PPR/06/2223** – pending outcome of Shropshire Council PSPO Consultation (Nov 2023 – in progress)
- c. **Town Signage Review WTC/PPR/16/2223** – on-going.

- d. **Cemetery Enforcement WTC/PPR/05/23234** – on-going, further action noted
- e. **Summer Planting Schedules WTC/PPR/09/2324** – on-going, further action noted

**6. Motion (Cllr Jackson) – Anti-social driving (Public Realm – Town Centre)**

Following consideration, it was **unanimously** agreed that the Proper Officer would approach the Safer Roads Partnership to enable possible action to gather data within the Town Centre (and all main ‘access’ routes were possible), which would inform further discussion. Proposed Cllr Jackson, seconded Cllr De-Wyrall.

**7. CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS**

Following a proposal from Cllr De-Wyrall, seconded by Cllr Morris, it was **RESOLVED** that under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting because of the likely disclosure of private and confidential information or staff matters.

**8. Update on Action Points currently in progress**

A verbal update on confidential items was received from the Proper Officer and separately noted, including:

- a. **Jubilee Park, Knotweed** – 3<sup>rd</sup> party action, being monitored – further action noted
- b. **Shropshire Council Asset Transfer** – on-going – further action noted
- c. **Harry Richard Garden (Fountain)** – now a “We Are Whitchurch” initiative, per WTC/PPR/12(C)/2324
- d. **Legal Update** – on-going
- e. **Streetlighting** – on-going

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.04pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting:

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_