



Broomfield Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of Broomfield Parish Council Village Environment Committee, held 17 April 2024 at 7.30 pm in Broomfield Village Hall.

E24/42	Members attending Chairman: Cllr Angie Faulds. Councillors: Perera -Morris, Boreham and Howell Other members: Cllr Odelana, Donna Hance Events and fund-raising Manager and Nicola Goulter Deputy Clerk Apologies: Cllr Scott, Taylor Resolved: To record and accept apologies for absence – unanimously agreed
E24/43	Declarations of interests None
E24/44	To approve the previous minutes held on the 13 March 2024 Resolved: The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on the 13 March 2024 are accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Howell and seconded by Cllr Perera-Morris. All others in agreement
E24/45	Public Question Time. No members of the public present
E24/46	Financial Matters. Noted
E24/47	Children's Playground. Playground Inspection Report -Noted Deputy Clerk informed the members that ROSPA will carry out their yearly inspection in May.
E24/48	To consider a review of the maintenance of the open spaces maintained by the Parish Council. Cllr Faulds reported that the Artwork for the signage is progressing.
E24/49	Centenary wood Donna Hance reported on Cllr Faulds instruction. Grant money was discussed £1600 has been assigned for equipment. Accessibility is a high priority for example what material would be best suited on the path through Centenary wood plastic paving driveway grid turf has been suggested. Further investigation is required for this project. Donna Hance mentioned the pond obtaining advice from the Essex Wildlife Trust on maintaining it. Donna Hance also mentioned sending the Essex wildlife report to all councillors as a point of reference. Action: Donna Hance requested advice from EWT and to send wildlife report to all Councillors
E24/50	Allotment Site/Association. Donna Hance reported that the allotments have been fenced in other than a small section 10 pallets are required. The village attendant will collect these from a company who are donating them. Donna Hance enquired about a skip being ordered for the allotment and if

	Broomfield Parish Council would consider covering part of the expense. It was agreed that BPC would split the cost with the Allotment Society as some rubbish has been mounting up belonging to BPC Motion: To agree on the hire of the skip between the Allotment Association and Broomfield Parish Council. It was agreed BPC would pay £250 towards the hire of the skip. Proposed: by Cllr Faulds seconded by Cllr Howell. All others in agreement. Action: The village attendant to collect the pallets. Donna Hance to arrange skip hire.
E24/51	Environment Enhancement Cllr Faulds reported on six new trees being planted in Parsonage Green, eight in David Smith Field. A large Silver Birch planted just by the village Hall. 100 saplings have been planted in Angel Lane, another 100 at the allotments. The remaining 200 saplings will be planted at the allotments when the pallet fence is completed. The hanging baskets at the bin store have been finished and are ready for summer.
E24/52	Green Place Management Plan (formally known as Environmental 1–5-year Plan) Donna Hance advised the members that the next stage will be collating information for each of the greens, Angel Parsonage and Scott’s Green and devising a strategy.
E24/53	Environment day 16th March Donna Hance reported that the day was a success all the stalls were successful and most of have signed up for the July fun day
E24/54	Notice Board – Main Entrance Angel Lane A consultation has been arranged for the 25th of April with Cllr Bleet to discuss and finalise details.
E24/55	Speed Watch Cllr Faulds and Howell updated the members on the speed watch programme. Currently there are four members ideally another two are required to alternate the sessions A speed watch session took place on the Main Road on Saturday 13th April..
E24/56	Litter Pick Love your Parish have offered to advertise and help with a litter pick on Saturday 18 May at 10.30 -12.00 pm. The street care team Have confirmed that they will be litter picking on the 18th July by Chelmer Valley High School. Action: Deputy Clerk to arrange event including publicity.
E24/57	Correspondence received. None
E24/58	Matters for next meeting. Parsonage Pond All Matters arising from these minutes
E24/59	Meeting Closed at 20.31