



# Broomfield Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of Broomfield Parish Council Environment Committee, held 19<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 8.00 pm in Broomfield Village Hall.

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| E25/020 | <p><b>Members attending</b><br/><b>Chairman:</b> Cllr Angie Faulds.<br/><b>Councillors:</b> Cllr Perera-Morris, Cllr Bleet, Cllr Howell and Cllr Taylor.<br/><b>Other members:</b> Donna Hance and a member of the public<br/><b>Apologies:</b> Cllr Boreham, Cllr Scott<br/><b>Resolved:</b> To record and accept apologies for absence – unanimously agreed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| E25/021 | <p><b>Declarations of interests</b><br/>None</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| E25/022 | <p><b>To approve the previous minutes held on the 15 January 2025</b><br/><b>Resolved:</b> The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 are accepted as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Faulds and seconded by Cllr Perera-Morris.<br/>All in agreement</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| E25/023 | <p><b>Public Question Time:</b> A member of the public was present and raised the following points.</p> <p><b>Felsted Field</b> – It has been reported that the hedge has been trimmed in places and was looking much better- although he was disappointed with the mess that was left on the pavements.<br/><b>Action:</b> This was noted by the committee</p> <p><b>Village Sign</b> – It was asked where the old village sign had gone and if it would be placed anywhere else in the Village<br/>It was reported by Donna Hance that the signs are being stored in the barn whilst we wait for agreement to where they can be put within the village<br/><b>Action:</b> Cllr Faulds to follow this up with Clerk</p> <p><b>Village Board</b> – A 3D Plan of the village was made sometime ago, and the resident was asking if it had been kept.<br/>Donna Hance reported that as far as she is aware that this item is no longer in storage at the Village Hall.<br/><b>Action:</b> Donna Hance to investigate if this has been stored in the barn</p> <p><b>Agendas displayed on notice boards</b> - It was asked if the agendas could be displayed again on notice boards.<br/><b>Action:</b> Cllr Faulds will follow this up with the Clerk and the Village Attendant</p> |
| E25/024 | <p><b>Financial Matters.</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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|                | The income and expenditure for January 2025 was noted by all Councillors                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>E25/025</b> | <p><b>Children's Playground.</b></p> <p>Playground Inspection Report-Noted</p> <p>The Committee would like to thank the Village Attendant for noticing and reporting the damaged swing and damaged lantern and the swift actions to have them mended.</p> <p>The Committee would like the Village Attendant to monitor and thoroughly check the park twice weekly until further notice.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>E25/026</b> | <p><b>Centenary wood</b></p> <p>Cllr Faulds reported that phase one of the works to the stream and pond area had been completed.</p> <p>Wetland wildflower seed has been purchased and will be planted over the coming weeks.</p> <p>Pond plants, notice board and stage two of the water areas will commence in March.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>E25/027</b> | <p><b>Allotment Site/Association.</b></p> <p>Donna Hance reported on the continuing problems with encroachment and damage by deer. The Allotment committee have written to developers and have applied for grants for higher fencing of the site.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>E25/028</b> | <p><b>Environment Enhancement</b></p> <p><b>Tree for life scheme:</b> Cllr Faulds reported on the tree for life scheme. A few more families will receive their planted trees on David Smith Field, the scheme will continue but families will be urged to have their trees at home after the current few places are taken.</p> <p><b>Cycle Shelter</b> – Thanks were given to the Village Attendant and the Premises Manager for installing the new cover and the lighting to the cycle shelter</p> <p><b>Glebe Crescent</b> – This matter has now been closed, and the committee will instruct the Clerk to write to the residents <b>involved</b>.</p> |
| <b>E25/029</b> | <p><b>Green Place Management Plan (formally known as Environmental 1–5-year Plan)</b></p> <p>The committee confirms the previous decision to make all council property pesticide free.</p> <p>Proposed – Cllr Faulds, Seconded – Cllr Taylor – All Agreed</p> <p>Green Flag application has been completed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>E25/030</b> | <p><b>Notice Board/Finger posts</b></p> <p>Cllr Faulds reported that all posts and notice boards have been ordered and all artwork has been sent in for final printing.</p> <p>The company should be delivering in the last week of February</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>E25/031</b> | <b>Speed Watch</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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|                | Cllr Bleet shared with the committee that Geoff Garfield would be taking the full lead on Speed Watch going forward. Two new members of the public have now joined the group and are undertaking their training .                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>E25/032</b> | <b>Parsonage Green</b><br>Cllr Faulds reported that replacement trees have been purchased and planted on the green. Thanks were given to Mr Beswick for the donation of three oak trees which he has offered to plant on Parsonage Green for us. The Village Attendant will be instructed to water all the new trees weekly in the spring and summer months using the water containers and the parish council van. |
| <b>E25/033</b> | <b>To Discuss Buzz in the City project for Farleigh Hospice</b><br>It was agreed that with the current budget being set for the coming year, the Parish Council were unable to take part.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>E25/034</b> | <b>Broomfield Football Club</b><br>Cllr Faulds to ask the Clerk if the Clubs invoicing is up to date .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>E25/035</b> | <b>Correspondence received</b><br>None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>E25/036</b> | <b>Matters for next meeting.</b><br>Green Flag Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>E25/037</b> | <b>Meeting Closed at 9.10</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |