



# Broomfield Parish Council

## Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting of Broomfield Parish Council held in Broomfield Village Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2026 at 6.00 p.m.

**Members in attendance** A Faulds, C Taylor, D Howell, G Scott (arrived 6.06pm), N Kiddier  
**Members not in attendance** S Boreham, M Bleet, G Garfield  
**Others in attendance** A Wood, Clerk and RFO  
D Hance, Events and Fundraising Manager

**EC26/083 To receive apologies for absence**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept apologies from Cllrs Boreham, Bleet and Garfield  
Proposed: Cllr Faulds  
Seconded: Cllr Kiddier  
All agreed

**EC26/084 To receive Councillors declarations of interests and dispensations requests**  
None were presented.

**EC26/085 To approve the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2026**  
The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Faulds as a correct record.  
Proposed: Cllr Faulds  
Seconded: Cllr Taylor  
All Agreed.

**EC26/086 Public Participation session**  
No members of the public were in attendance

**EC26/087 To discuss the 2027 NALC Climate Response of the Year Award (Cllr Bleet)**  
This item will be deferred to a later meeting.

**EC26/088 Green Spaces in the parish**  
**a) To discuss the Oak Processionary Moth issues in Essex**  
*Cllr Scott arrived at this point*  
The Clerk presented a leaflet and information from the Forestry Commission about this notifiable pest, and it was agreed that this information will be circulated to the parish.  
**b) To discuss the Local Nature Recovery Strategy webinar feedback (RCCE)**  
Cllr Faulds attended this webinar and reported back on its contents. It was agreed that Cllr Faulds complete the expression of interest form to take part in this strategy.

**EC26/089 Angel Meadow and Surroundings**  
**a) To receive an update on the Pétanque and Pickle Ball project**  
Mrs Hance provided an update and advised that quotes are being obtained for fencing before she will apply for grants.

**EC26/090 Church Green update**  
**a) To receive a report on the War Memorial course attended by Mrs Hance**  
Mrs Hance gave a report on the above course. The Clerk advised that she had made a request for the site to be tidied up by Essex Highways as part of their War Memorial

project. The committee were advised that research is being undertaken on the ownership of the actual memorial.

EC26/091

**Centenary Wood**

**a) To discuss the installation of additional wildlife signage**

It was agreed that the Clerk investigate sources of signage for the wood and will contact Chelmsford City Council for assistance. She will report back.

EC26/092

**Allotment site and Association**

Mrs Hance and Cllr Scott provided a report on the allotments.

EC26/093

**Environmental Enhancement**

**a) To receive a report on the dry garden course attended by Mrs Hance**

Mrs Hance provided an update on the above course.

**b) To discuss blub planting in the village**

It was **RESOLVED** that a budget of £100 be allocated to allow for the purchase of spring bulbs in Church Green.

Proposed: Cllr Taylor

Seconded: Cllr Kiddier

All agreed

EC26/094

**To consider items for the budget for 2027/28**

The following items were requested to be included in the next budget

- Interpretation panel for the playground
- Bulb planting
- Allotment drive resurfacing

EC26/095

**Items for inclusion in the next agenda**

- Continuing budget discussions
- Green flag conference (Mrs Hance)

EC26/096

**Chair to close the meeting**

Cllr Faulds closed the meeting at 6.44pm

**The next Environment Committee meeting is on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm**