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**Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting of Broomfield Parish Council
held in Broomfield Village Hall
on Wednesday 10th June 2026 at 7.45 p.m.**

Members in attendance A Faulds, M Bleet, G Garfield, C Taylor, D Howells

Members not in attendance N Kiddier, S Boreham, G Scott

Others in attendance A Wood, Clerk and RFO
Cllr A Odelana
1 member of the public

EC26/041 To elect a chair for this committee

Cllr Faulds was elected as chair.

Proposed: Cllr Bleet

Seconded: Cllr Howell

All Agreed.

EC26/042 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted for Cllrs Kiddier, Scott and Boreham.

Proposed: Cllr Garfield

Seconded: Cllr Bleet

All Agreed.

EC26/043 To receive Councillors declarations of interests and dispensations requests

None were presented.

EC26/044 To approve the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 15th April 2026

The minutes were approved and signed by Cllr Faulds as a correct record.

Proposed: Cllr Garfield

Seconded: Cllr Bleet

All Agreed.

EC26/045 Public Participation session

A resident raised concerns over recent car thefts and asked for an update on the status of the Kinds Arms.

EC26/046 Make Space for Girls Project

Mrs Hance reported that the pagoda has been installed and the seating has arrived. The pagoda has lighting and charging points installed. The project will be completed in July.

EC26/047 To discuss the quote for tree works from JCM following the annual inspection

The quote of £3410.00+ VAT for the identified required works was discussed and approved.

Proposed: Cllr Garfield

Seconded: Cllr Bleet

All Agreed.

EC26/048 To discuss the possible disposal of old maintenance equipment and the purchase of a new battery powered trimmer with the proceeds

The above was discussed and the committee are happy for the Clerk to progress. She advised that she will bring the costings to the next meeting for formal approval.

- EC26/049 **Green Spaces in the parish**
- Cllr Faulds provided a brief update on the Field and Centenary Wood and that everything is growing well.
 - Cllr Garfield asked if an update on Berwick Avenue playground had been received. The Clerk will chase but it was noted that any replacement of equipment will be in the CCC 2027 budget.
 - The fire engine in the playground has been installed and greatly used by children of all ages.
 - Mrs Hance reported that she has four community gardener volunteers and work on the community garden has started. Planting will take place in a couple of weeks.
- EC26/050 **Angel Meadow and Surroundings**
- A request to purchase new extension chains to lower one of the swings was discussed and the Clerk will progress under delegated authority.
- EC26/051 **Church Green update**
- No further updates at this time.
- EC26/052 **Centenary Wood**
- It was noted that three trees had been snapped and the Village Attendant will make the remaining trunks safe.
- EC26/053 **Allotment site and Association**
- Mrs Hance reported that there is an issue with abandoned sites and so the committee are working with the National Allotment Association to evict the tenants. A new contract will be drafted stating the expectations on allotment maintenance. There is a waiting list at the moment, but no one wants to take over these abandoned sites due to the work involved. Site inspections have been stopped but walkarounds are continuing. No deer are on site now.
- EC26/054 **Environmental Enhancement**
- The work on repairing the village gateway will be carried over to the next meeting.
- EC26/055 **Items for inclusion in the next agenda**
- Nothing requested at this time.
- EC26/056 **Chair to close the meeting**
- Cllr Faulds closed the meeting at 8.15pm
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Broomfield PC Clerk

From: James Mead <james@jcm-services.co.uk>
Sent: 01 May 2026 12:44
To: Broomfield PC Clerk
Subject: Weeds around the village hall and car park

Dear Abi

I hope you are well,

I just wanted to bring to your attention a new product we are supplying the kills weeds without out the use of Glyphosate, the weeds around the car park and hall are starting to make the area look untidy, and I know some of you councilors won't allow us to spray them with glyphosate so I thought I'd mention this product.

We wouldn't charge you to spray them as we would really like to tidy the area for you in our capacity as your grounds maintenance contractor.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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Kind Regards

James Mead
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"no job is too important that it can't be done safely"

Environmental Information Sheet

KATOUN® GOLD MAPP number 17879



An emulsifiable concentrate formulation containing 500 g/L fatty acid, pelargonic acid. A non-selective contact herbicide for use on amenity vegetation (bare soil around trees and woody shrubs), natural surfaces not intended to bear vegetation and permeable surfaces overlying soil including gravel pathways, forest nursery and hardy ornamental plant production.

Maximum individual dose: 22.5 L/ha

Maximum total dose: 90 L/ha (4 applications)

Latest time of application: Not specified

Section	Profile
1. WILDLIFE Mammals and birds	KATOUN GOLD is not classified as being "Harmful to game, wild birds and animals". No risk management is necessary to protect wild birds and animals. The risk to wild birds and animals grazing on treated areas is low as is the risk due to exposure from other routes such as consumption of earthworms and arthropods.
2. BEES	KATOUN GOLD has a low risk to honeybees, when crop and weeds are not in flower. No risk management is required for the use of KATOUN GOLD as the active substance fatty acid, pelargonic acid is considered to be of low risk to bees.
3. NON TARGET INSECTS AND OTHER ARTHROPODS	Risk to non-target insects or other arthropods. Avoid spraying within 5m of the field boundary to reduce effects on non-target insects or other arthropods (tractor mounted sprayers). Minimise spray drift away from target area to reduce effects on non-target insects or other arthropods (knapsack sprayers).
4. AQUATIC LIFE	Not considered harmful to fish or other aquatic life when used as directed. However, care should always be taken to ensure that surface waters or ditches are not contaminated through spillage or with the used container. Do not contaminate water with KATOUN GOLD or its container. (Do not clean application equipment near surface water. Avoid contamination via drains from farmyards and roads). Not categorised in the LERAP scheme.
5. SOIL AND GROUNDWATER Earthworms	The use of KATOUN GOLD according to the label instructions (i.e. on natural or porous surfaces e.g. gravel), is unlikely to lead to any risk to ground water. KATOUN GOLD is not persistent in soils, breaking down very quickly. No risk management is therefore necessary. KATOUN GOLD has a moderate risk to earthworms. No risk management is necessary.

Soil micro-organisms	No risk management is necessary for the protection of soil micro-organisms when KATOUN GOLD is used in accordance with the label recommendations.
6. NON-TARGET PLANTS	The risk to non-target plants is low when KATOUN GOLD is used as per the label instructions. However, KATOUN GOLD, is a non-selective herbicide and therefore extreme care should be taken to avoid drift onto crops and/or non-target plants outside of the target area.

USE PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCTS SAFELY. ALWAYS READ THE LABEL AND PRODUCT INFORMATION BEFORE USE. FOR FURTHER PRODUCT INFORMATION INCLUDING WARNING PHRASES AND SYMBOLS REFER TO THE BELCHIM (UK) WEBSITE (WWW.BELCHIM.CO.UK)

Care must be taken to minimise the risk of surface water contamination from farmyard and field sources.

For further information about the environmental profile of this product contact:

Belchim Crop Protection Ltd, 1b Fenice Court, Phoenix Park, Eaton Socon, St. Neots, Cambridgeshire PE19 8EW. Telephone 01480 403333

This Environmental Information Sheet was prepared in accordance with CPA Guidance Notes V4 August 2005.

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Katoun Gold

A natural origin, **total herbicide** for the control of small weeds on amenity vegetation, bare soil around trees and on permeable surfaces



WHY KATOUN GOLD

- › Non-glyphosate natural origin product
- › Very fast acting – less than 2 hours
- › Tank mixable with Chikara and other residual herbicides
- › Speeds up activity of glyphosate
- › Use in water for initial line marking
- › Can be applied in low water volumes compared to other glyphosate alternatives

How Katoun Gold works

Katoun Gold causes the destruction of the plant cuticle and cell wall resulting in very rapid desiccation and peroxidation of the cells. It can be used to control young weeds in many situations via contact action.

Applied at 22.5 l/ha in 225l of water using twin fan nozzles.

Produces excellent result when tank mixed with Chikara as a replacement for glyphosate.

Excellent performance and wide spectrum of weed control when tank mixed with other herbicides:

Examples:

- › Glyphosate speeds up activity and spectrum on perennial weeds
- › Icade enhances mares tail and ivy control



Product Detail

Contains: 500 g/l pelargonic acid
 MAPP No: 17879
 Pack size: 5 litres
 Pack coverage: 2,220m²
 RT order code: 0488290/05

APPLICATION RATES												
Equipment	Katoun Gold	Water Volume	Area									
Power Sprayer	22.5 litres	200-500 litres	1ha									
Knapsack Sprayer	1 litre	10 litres	444m ²									

RECOMMENDED PERIOD OF USE
When applied alone on soft growth

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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Use plant protection products safely. Always read the label and product information before use.



Broomfield PC Clerk

Subject: FW: Introduction of New Rangers Service

From: Tim EATON-FEARNE <Tim.EATON-FEARNE@chelmsford.gov.uk>

Sent: 02 July 2026 09:58

To: Baddow PC Great - Parish Council (clerk@greatbaddowparishcouncil.gov.uk)

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Cc: Cllr Simon GOLDMAN <Simon.Goldman@chelmsford.gov.uk>; Tom SMITH <Tom.SMITH@chelmsford.gov.uk>; Toby WYSS <Toby.WYSS@chelmsford.gov.uk>

Subject: Introduction of New Rangers Service

Dear Parish Clerk.

I am pleased to announce that we have been granted the funding by our administration this year to re-introduce the Highway Rangers service from **1st July 2026**.

How to submit requests

- Parish Clerks should send requests directly to: **xxxx** (please note this is an “internal” email address and should not be given to residents)
- All requests will be prioritised and monitored centrally
- Residents should continue to use the Council’s “report-it” webpage ([Street problem report](#))

Scope of work

The Rangers can undertake a range of minor environmental and maintenance tasks in your parish including:

- General tidying and vegetation cutting on footpaths
- Cutting back overgrown paths
- Cleaning street name plates and road signs
- Painting village gates and structures
- Basic maintenance of parish seating

Limitations

The service will not cover:

- Replacement of ECC road signs
- Repairs to paving defects or kerbs
- Large-scale vegetation works
- Weed spraying

A small materials budget is available, but parish councils may be asked to contribute towards larger jobs.

I hope you will make good use of the service but should you wish to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

Tim

Tim Eaton-Fearne
Head of StreetCare & Performance
Sustainable Communities Directorate
Chelmsford City Council
www.chelmsford.gov.uk

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