

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ALLOTMENTS & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE OF TRING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
THE MARKET HOUSE, TRING ON MONDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 8.20 p.m.**

- Present:** Councillors: Mrs O. Conway, in the Chair
Mrs P. Hearn (ex officio)
P. Hills
N. Nutkins
Mrs R. Ransley
G. Wilkins
S. Hearn
- Co-opted members: Mary Lynne Moxon (substitute for
Mr I Brownell)
Greta Brown
John Savage
- Also present: Cllr H. Grace
Mrs Dawn Slade, Deputy Town Clerk
Colin Chambers (FofMW)
2 members of the public

19360. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Ian Brownell

RESOLVED: To accept the apologies for the reasons given

19361. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

**19362. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
ON 4th JUNE 2018**

RESOLVED: To accept the Minutes as circulated

19363. MATTERS OF REPORT FROM THE MINUTES

No matters arising

19364. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

The Chairman had visited the Allotment Summer Show and had a very enjoyable afternoon.

19365. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The member of the public expressed their concerns about parking in Hastoe Lane by users of Tring Park including dog walkers and the Park Run. The problem had been eased somewhat by the improvements to the Museum Car Park but the situation is still dangerous and inconvenient to local residents.

Following discussion, it was resolved to ask the Woodland Trust to attend a meeting to explain the current situation with regards to the proposed Car Park on the land to the west of Tring Park

Part 1 Allotments

19366. ALLOTMENT MANAGEMENT

The Deputy Clerk's report was circulated prior to the meeting and the following points raised:

- Draft agreement (2018-19) and covering letter were considered – cost increase was agreed
- 7 half plots and 1 full plot vacant at 24/8/19
- Notice board in Dolphin Square – DBC aware
- Community Garden/Tring in Transition have won DBC Community Award
- Walks leaflets 4,5,6 printed (P3) and proving popular with residents and visitors
- Working on map of cycle routes through town and local area
- Hedge at top of site (Footpath 33) needs maintenance – access off Aylesbury Road

RESOLVED: To note the report and to make necessary amendments to Tenancy Agreement

19367. ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION'S REPORT

Mary Lynne Moxon reported the following:

- Councillors were thanked for attending the Summer Show which was a great success
- Local businesses were also very supportive
- The AGM will be held on 11th October 2018 in Nora Grace Hall
- A Christmas drinks party will be held in December
- A Plant Sale will be held next summer
- Subscriptions will increase to £5 per person

RESOLVED: to accept the report

Part 2 Environment

19368. TOWN WARDEN'S REPORT

The Town Warden's report was circulated prior to the meeting.

- Hanging baskets planted
- Weed clearing on High Street to junction with Christchurch Road
- Replacement bins (2) to be installed by DBC contractor – 2 new at either end of Meadowbrook (to be emptied by DBC)
- Church Square – regular dead heading and watering created colourful display
- Repairs to Pond Close play area – replacement ropes on basket swing

- Electrical testing on Market Place and Church Square with contractor
- Strimming of vacant allotment plots by Warden's assistant

RESOLVED: To note the report circulated. Thanks were expressed to the Town Warden for his work in keeping the town looking so pleasant.

19369. RIGHTS OF WAY AND P3

No matters to report. The remedial work in Stebbings Wood (P3) should be taking place shortly

19370. FRIENDS OF MILLENNIUM WOOD

Colin Chambers presented an update and changes to the 5 year management plan which had been circulated to all members. He explained that a reciprocating mower has been hired to deal with long grass which is cut and raked off. The volunteers are working well and good progress is being made. The group will lay the hedge at the top of the allotment site with the agreement of the plot holders. Thanks were expressed to the Information Officers for their help in administering the Friends group.

19371. DACORUM ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Cllr Hills reported that he was unable to attend the last meeting when the plans for Gadebridge Park and river had been discussed. The minutes of the meeting will be circulated in due course

The meeting closed at 9.22p.m.

Chairman