

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE RIVER BURE ROOM, CHERWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL,
WHITE POST ROAD, BODICOTE ON WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2019,
COMMENCING AT 7.15 PM**

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs M. Christer (Chairman), J. Blencowe, N. Buttler, J Sacha (from 7.35pm), Mrs S Steel, J. Washburn, Mrs. C. Hill (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** No apologies were received.
2. **Declaration of Interest**
No interests were declared.
3. **Open session**
No questions from the public.
4. **Minutes**
The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September were circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr. Blencowe proposed that they be accepted and signed by the Chairman, seconded and carried unanimously.
5. **To consider the following matters arising from previous meetings:**
 - a) **Roads, footpaths and pavements;** High Street and Church Street need resurfacing.
 - b) **Town Furlong green update;** The seat has been damaged. Slats need replacing. The paving slabs haven't been repaired. It was agreed that Cllr. Buttler would look at the slabs and contact a carpenter for the repairs to the bench.
 - c) **Village buses and shelters update;** Walton Close shelter has been removed. The pole at Kingsfield hasn't been removed. We are still waiting for a bus shelter.

7.35pm Cllr. Sacha joins the meeting.

 - d) **Possible projects for developers' contributions;** No new report.
 - e) **Wall at the bottom of Wards Crescent;** The clerk has sent a further email and copied County Cllr. Fatemian.
 - f) **Play area signage;** The clerk to circulate a draft sign.
 - g) **Weeping Cross;** The work to engrave 2 crosses will not take place until the New Year.
6. **To consider any matters relating to the Churchyard;** Nothing to report.
7. **To consider matters relating to the flyover land;** Nothing to report.
8. **To consider matters relating to the burial ground;** The gates have been mended.

- 9. To consider climate change initiatives;** The clerk to draft a letter to the school.
- 10. To review policies;** Councillors agreed that this would be reviewed after the elections in May.
- 11. Budget 2020/21;** Councillors agreed that our current contractors should be asked to provide quotes. The spraying of the gulleys is effective and should be done twice a year. Funding should be provided for the painting of the benches and burial gates.
- 12. Request from British Legion for the closure of roads on 10th November;** Cllr. Blencowe said that he would collect and return the barriers. The Chairman said that she would lay the wreath.
- 13. Date of next meeting; 8th January 2020.**
The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.