

CHEPPING WYCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

Members of the council are summoned to attend the meeting to be held on **Tuesday 5 September 2023** at **7.30pm** at the Council Office, Cock Lane, Tylers Green, High Wycombe Bucks HP10 8DS

Committee membership:	Cllr L Willis (Chairman)	Cllr I Forbes
	Cllr L Webb (Vice-chairman)	Cllr C Jordan
	Cllr J Gurney	Cllr S Digby
	Cllr L Johncock	Cllr H Darch
	Cllr S Herron	Cllr D Johncock
	Cllr K Wood (ex officio)	

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires members who cannot attend a meeting to tender apologies to the Clerk.

2. Declarations of members' interests in Items on the agenda

To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest and confirmation of any relevant dispensations.

- i) Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the Member's Register of Interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer (Clerk) of it.
- ii) Should any Member have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in an item on the agenda, the Member may not participate in consideration of that item unless a Dispensation has first been requested (in writing) and granted by the Council.

3. Allotments

4. Playgrounds

4.1 Ashley Drive Recreation Ground, Tylers Green

4.1.1 Replacement Basket Swing

4.2 Straight Bit Recreation Ground, Flackwell Heath

4.2.1 Replacement Boat

4.2.2 Telecommunications mast

4.2.3 Swing repair

4.3 Boundary Road Recreation Ground, Loudwater

4.3.1 Tootin Train

4.3.2 Memorial Bench Request

5. Treeworks

6. Oakland Way, Flackwell Heath

7. Committee Site Visits

8. Skate Park Update

9. Derehams Lane Recreation Ground

9.1 Loudwater Bowls Club

10. Committee Finances

11. Questions from council members and the public

12. Accounts for Payment



Wendy Thompson
Clerk to the Council
29 August 2023

Allotments

Members are asked to NOTE that the allotment renewals have been sent out for the new agreement year.

Members are asked to NOTE that the allotment competition was judged by Cllr Wilks and Cllr Wood, winners attached at [APPENDIX A](#). Certificates were handed out at the BBQ and picnic.

AGENDA ITEM 4

Playgrounds

4.1 Ashley Drive Recreation Ground, Tylers Green

4.1.1 Replacement Basket Swing

Members are asked to NOTE that the replacement basket swing has been installed.

4.2 Straight Bit Recreation Ground, Flackwell Heath

4.2.1 Replacement Boat

Members are asked to NOTE that the start date for installation is Monday 11 September. The delay has been due to the non-availability of installation contractors.

4.2.2 Telecommunications mast

Members are asked to NOTE that a non-intrusive survey undertaken by drone has already been completed and that a further survey will be taking place on Wednesday 20 September 2023. This will entail trial bore holes.

4.2.3 Swing Repair

Members are asked to NOTE that the double bay swing at the site is due to be repaired in early September.

4.3 Boundary Road Recreation Ground, Loudwater

A further meeting with the Chairman of Council, Chairman of committee and the clerk has taken place with the resident who highlighted an issue relating to the riverbank at the site. This item is covered later in the agenda.

4.3.1 Tootin Train

Members are asked to NOTE that the toddler equipment (Springy) has been installed at the site.

4.3.2 Memorial Bench Request

Members are asked to CONSIDER a request for an additional bench at the site. Requested location is attached at [APPENDIX B](#)

AGENDA ITEM 5

Treeworks

Members are asked to CONSIDER and, if so minded, APPROVE one of the quotations below for tree works.

Track 6, Tylers Green (opposite the village hall)

Reduction of the lime trees along the track and removal of an overhanging ash branch.

Quote A £3,850.00

Quote B £3,000.00

King's Wood

Boundary trees – fell 6 and tidy 2

Rushbrooke Close – fell Ash tree to the side of a property and remove Willow limb overhanging the garden.

Quote A £5,200.00

Quote B £4,525.00

AGENDA ITEM 6

Oakland Way, Flackwell Heath

Following a request made by a resident of Oakland Way to plant additional trees on the verge at the junction with Heath End Road to stop people parking. [APPENDIX C](#)

An inspection of the site was made and due to the presence of a manhole and cabling it was felt more prudent to install bollards rather than trees that could cause issues long term with their root systems.

Members are asked to CONSIDER an approach to Buckinghamshire Council to install bollards on the verge to dissuade parking.

Members are also asked to NOTE that a request has been made to remove the bench on the verge on the other side of the road.

AGENDA ITEM 7

Committee Site Visits

Members attended the committee site visit on **Tuesday 11 July**. Areas visited were:

Boundary Road Recreation Ground, Loudwater

Following concerns raised by a resident about the bank the members visited the site to review the situation.

Members are now asked to CONSIDER the introduction of a planting scheme, to include bramble and other such spiky plants, in front of the inlet pipe to dissuade people from approaching the edge. [APPENDIX D](#)

Magpie Wood, Loudwater

Cllr Jordan had highlighted an issue with the post and wire boundary fence running down the Chiltern Way path. On inspection the wire had been cut in several places.

Since the site visit Darren and Jon have done a full-length repair of the wire. [APPENDIX E](#)

Front & Back Common, Tylers Green

Following the inspection of the memorial trees, Darren and Jon have been to site and removed the dead tree on the back common which will be replaced in the Autumn and have re-staked the trees.

Members are asked to CONSIDER the installation of a post and chain fence to continue from the memorial trees on the Back Common to stop people from parking on the grass.

AGENDA ITEM 8

Skate Park Update

Members are asked to NOTE that the public consultation is underway with a good response rate.

AGENDA ITEM 9

Derehams Lane Recreation Ground

Members are asked to NOTE that a meeting with the architect as held on 20 June. The results of the discussions are attached at [APPENDIX F](#). These are not written in stone and are still for further consideration and discussion before going to pre-planning.

9.1 Loudwater Bowls Club

Members are asked to NOTE the report from Cllr Jordan following the last meeting of the Bowls Club. [APPENDIX G](#)

AGENDA ITEM 10

Committee Finances

Members are also asked to NOTE the committee income and expenditure to Period 4 (July) [APPENDIX H](#)

AGENDA ITEM 11

Questions from committee members and the public

A maximum of fifteen minutes will be given to members of the public, who may make representations, ask and answer questions and/or give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Members of the public wishing to speak at the beginning of the meeting should inform the Clerk of this request as soon as possible.

AGENDA ITEM 12

Accounts for payment

Accounts for payment will be circulated at the meeting for consideration by councillors.

Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday, 2 November 2023 @ 7.30pm