



BOUGHTON-UNDER-BLEAN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Public Amenities Committee meeting of the Parish Council held at St Barnabas Parish Centre on Tuesday 23rd January 2024 from 7:55pm to 8:19pm

Present:

Cllr C. Clayson, Cllr J. Martin, Cllr A. Rice

Also present:

Mrs S. Muteham (Clerk)

154. Apologies

None

155. Declaration of Interests

None

156. Public Participation

None

157. Allotments

- A. Inspection report - Those present reviewed the report from the allotment inspections conducted on 28th October 2023 and 8th November 2023. There were no notable comments. **Resolved:** to accept the allotment inspection report.
- B. Skip - The committee had previously considered providing a skip in spring time to enable plot holders to clear out their rubbish. It was agreed by those present to move this matter for consideration by the full council at the next council meeting.

158. Covid Snake

- A. Maintenance - After a discussion by those present, it was agreed that more white stones/chippings were required and to propose to the full council that white stones be purchased and installed. It was also noted that there had been no response to the public request for maintenance of the existing painted monumental stones and that prior to further consideration, the Clerk should contact the originator of the Covid Snake to seek assistance/guidance on maintaining the monumental stones.

159. Cemetery

- A. Inspection report - Those present reviewed the report from the cemetery inspection conducted on 28th October 2023. It was noted that a significant amount of time had passed since the last inspection and that matters raised may no longer be valid. It was agreed that a further inspection was required. **Resolved:** to conduct a further inspection.
- B. Addressing matters from the inspection report - No action taken as it was agreed that the matter would be considered further after the next inspection.
- C. Bench repairs - It was noted that the bench in the northwest corner of the cemetery was still awaiting repairs and presented a safety risk. Cllr J. Martin agreed to repair the bench. **Resolved:** Cllr J. Martin to repair the bench.

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- D Litter bins - The Clerk reported that users of the cemetery were leaving rubbish next to the newly installed litter bin when the bin was not full. It was agreed to place notices on both litter bins in the first instance with the following wording "Polite Notice. Please put all rubbish in the litter bins provided or take it home with you. Note that there is no composting facility at this site. Thank you for your co-operation". **Resolved:** to place notices on litter bins.
- E Set date for next inspection - It was agreed by those present that the next inspection would take place on Saturday 3rd February at 10am. **Resolved:** the next inspection take place on Saturday 3rd February 2024.

Signed by the CHAIRMAN of the meeting