

## **Meeting of Amenities and Environment Committee Minutes**

A meeting of the Amenities and Environment Committee took place on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026 19.09 in the Meeting Room, Tiptree Community Centre, 1A Caxton Close, Tiptree CO5 0AH.

### **Councillors Present:**

Cllr Diana Webb - **Chair**

Cllr Tony Peck – **Vice Chair**

Cllr Jonathan Greenwood

Cllr Barbara wood

Cllr Christian Kitley

**Also in attendance:** Clerk to the Council and two members of the public.

### **19/26 Apologies for Absence:**

There were no Apologies for absence.

### **20/26 Declarations of interest:**

No Declaration of Interest were made.

### **21/26 Chair's Announcements:**

The Chairman didn't have an announcement.

### **22/26 Minutes of Meeting:**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2026 were proposed, seconded, and **Resolved** by Majority as an accurate record and duly signed.

### **23/26 Public questions:**

There were questions from the public:

The residents raised concerns on the about the soil depth and standards of soil at the new allotment sight.

### **24/26 The Clerks report and Head groundsman updated the committee on the following points:**

- The grounds team have cut Windmill Green and Coriander Road. The new dog bins at Warriors Rest Woodland and Park Lane have been installed and the path at the bottom of Grove Road Playing Field has been cleared.
- The installation of the new play equipment at Thyme Road, will commence on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

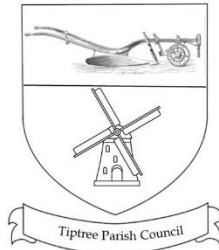
### **25/26 Financial Overview:**

The Committee received the financial overview from the Clerk.

### **26/26 Consideration of Park Lane site visit report:**

After discussion, it was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the site report would be accepted, and the following points are to be investigated by the Clerk and Grounds team:

- Removal of the rubble from the site
- Creation of a history board and new interpretation board.



- To ensure no resident has installed a gate to access park lane from their gardens.
- Installation of a Log circle.
- The pond slope.

**27/26 TCV monitoring report from Park Lane:**

This item was discussed. The return to the site of nightingales was positively received. It was noted that monthly monitoring by TCV was planned. .

**28/26 Consideration of Parish Council Biodiversity Statutory Duty:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the report was accepted.

**29/26 Consideration of the Grove Road Playing Field site visit:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that a meter of scrub along the boundary of the Playing Field Extension, adjacent to neighbouring fences, is to be removed. The Clerk is to investigate why two of the more recently planted trees have died then report back to the committee. The Hire of open spaces policy is to be reviewed at the next meeting.

**30/26 Consideration of the open space's narratives for the website:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the Clerk would amend wording for Grove Lake. The other narratives were accepted; Cllr Webb will write the remaining narratives and bring them back to the committee.

**31/26 Consideration of land at the junction of Maldon Road and Spring Road:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the Clerk would investigate this and bring it back to the committee.

**32/26 Consideration of the following items for the allotments:**

The Committee discussed this item no decision was made.

**33/26 Consideration of future play equipment within the Parish:**

After discussion the committee asked this to come back next month.

**34/26 Consideration of criteria for Nine Acres Play equipment:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the Clerk is to investigate the S106 for the Nine Acres site.

**35/26 Confirmation of Priority Projects 2026/27:**

After discussion the committee asked this to come back next month.

**36/26 Consideration of combining Committees ERMS:**

After discussion It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **resolved** that the Amenities and Environment Committees owned ear marked reserves are to stay as they are.

**37/26** Chair closed the meeting at 21.27.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 19.00

Signed ..... **Date 14<sup>th</sup> July 2026**