# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND AMENTIES COMMITTEE HELD AT THE WOOLSTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HUB, HALL ROAD, WOOLSTON ON 22 MARCH 2017

**Present:** Councillor MH Greenslade (Chairman)

Councillors: M Banner, J Greenslade, A Hill, D Hill,

A McCarthy, D Nowell, M Pearce, S Rydzkowski, P Wright

**Apologies for absence:** Councillors M Creaghan, B Maher

# <u>EA107 Code of Conduct – declarations of interest</u> Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

No declarations were made at the opening of the meeting.

#### **EA108 Minutes**

#### Resolved,

That the minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2017 be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

# EA109 Martinscroft Village Green – traffic calming scheme

The Clerk reported further to minute EA101 - 15 February 2017 that the Borough Council had informed the Council that a letter of objection had been received after the closing date given in the public notice. The Council was asked to determine how to proceed given the information provided:

# Recommended,

That

- 1. the letter of objection be not considered because of its receipt after the published closing date:
- 2. approval be given for the Borough Council to proceed with the scheme as advertised.

## **EA110 Development adjacent to the Thelwall Viaduct**

The Committee noted that the meeting planned by the Environment Agency for 8 March 2017 to provide an opportunity to meet the regulators regarding matters relating to fracking had been cancelled.

#### **EA111 Cleaning of Cenotaph at Martinscroft Green**

The Committee noted that the specialist contractor for cleaning the Cenotaph had agreed to carry out the cleaning works during the summer and at no additional cost to the quotation submitted. The contractor had advised that the expected period between each cleaning operation was two to three years.

#### EA112 Somerset Way at entrance to Woolston Park - provision of fencing

There were no matters to report.

# EA113 Kings Leadership Academy – shared use of car park

The Committee noted that the Clerk was to meet the Bursar and Operations Manager at the Kings Leadership Academy to review the shared use of the car park.

### **EA114 Parish Path Warden scheme**

Councillor Nowell reported that:

- Path 25 Junction between Bridge Lane and towpath to Weir Lane; fallen tree removed.
- Path 25 Bridge Lane to Nottingham Close play area along towpath; leaning tree (photograph supplied to the Public Rights of Way Officer (height obstruction),
- Path 31 Woolston guard weir to Latchford, south end of weir; fallen tree, reported to Public Rights of Way Officer. Peel holdings engineering had agreed to deal with. (height obstruction).
- Path 14 Juniper Lane towards M6 fingerpost; overhanging tree branch. Public Rights of Way Officer to remove.
- Path 12 by Moss Edge Cottages, Nicol Avenue; previous garden furniture obstruction now passable.

Recommended,

That the report on the action taken be noted.

## EA115 Weir Lane Play area – proposed improvement

The Committee noted further to minute EA103 - 15 February 2017 that work to improve the play area was planned to be completed by the end of May 2017.

#### EA116 "Old Billy" scheme

The Committee noted that contact had been made with the contractor used by the Borough Council for the production of highway signs of the type proposed for the scheme. Councillor J Greenslade reported on designs submitted to the Graphics Department of the Environment Agency of "Old Billy" for use in the flood defence scheme.

# EA 117 Battery Lane Allotment Site – inspection of allotment plots

The Committee noted that the independent inspection of all plots had been completed and action was being taken in respect of a small number of plots. A further inspection was planned for the summer.

# EA118 New Cut Heritage and Ecology Trail Group – issues relating to Woolston

The Committee noted that items relating to the work of the Group had been circulated to members.

Agreed, That consideration be referred to the Finance and General Committee.
EA120 Business raised by members
There were no matters to report.
Chairman

EA119 Identification of schemes to be included as earmarked reserves