



# ABINGDON-ON-THAMES TOWN COUNCIL

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To: All Members of the **Amenities and Recreation Committee:**

Councillor Sandy Lovatt	- Chairman
Councillor Helen Pighills	- Vice Chairman
Councillor Dennis Garrett	
Councillor Robert Hall	
Councillor Vicky Jenkins	
Councillor Jan Morter	
Councillor Lorraine Oates	
The Mayor of Abingdon	- (ex-officio)
Chairman of Finance and General Purposes Committee	- (ex-officio)

To: All other Town Council members for Information only.

Dear Sir/Madam

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Amenities & Recreation Committee to be held on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 at 7.00 pm** in the meeting room at the Town Council offices, Royse Court.

Yours faithfully

N. E. Warner  
Town Clerk

## **AGENDA**

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in relation to any items to be considered at the meeting, in accordance with the Local Code of Conduct.

3 **Minutes**

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 (attached).

4 **Matters Arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda**

To discuss any matters arising from the previous minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

Item A52 – Town Entry signs have been ordered and will be installed after the Fair has been held in Abingdon.

Item A14 – Resurfacing of Spring Road Cemetery Entrance – An order has been placed and the work will be undertaken shortly.

Item A15 – No quotes have yet been received for play area equipment.

5 **Financial Report**

To receive and consider the financial report for the year April to July 2016.

6. **Cemetery and Works Supervisor's Report**

To receive the Cemetery and Works Supervisor's Report (to follow)

7. **New Cemetery**

This item will appear as a standard item each meeting. Officers from the Town and District Council have been discussing the future of the Abingdon Cemetery provision. The Town Council are now waiting further information from the District Council.

8. **Drainage on Amenity Land**

The Council has received complaints concerning two areas of land where, during heavy rain, the land floods due to poor drainage. The two areas are;

- Entrance to Chilton Close recreation area
- Austin Place amenity land.

Both areas are used by children going to either Rush Common School or the Dunmore Nursery.

This has been an ongoing problem and the Council have tried to ease matters by digging drainage ditches with shingle at Austin Place but the problem persists. Similarly drainage soakaways do not seem to be working at Chilton Close.

It is suggested that contractors be approached to look into these problems and report back to the Council with solutions and quotes.

Members are asked to consider this matter and instruct their officers accordingly.

9. **Fishing**

Members are requested to see and approve the minutes of the Fishing Working Group (attached)

10. **Publicity**

The Committee is requested to consider any items on the agenda which would benefit from publicity.

11. **Items for Next Meeting**

Members are requested to consider items to be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Amenities and Recreation Committee. This will enable officers to explore future items with a view to giving some guidance at future meetings.

12 **Exclusion of the public, including the Press**

The Chairman will move:

That in accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972), the public (including the press) be excluded from the meeting because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

1. Cemetery Charges. To receive a report from the Asst. Town Clerk / Head of Services.