



# Bracknell Town Council

Environmental Services Tuesday 4th June 2024

## AGENDA

### **ES33/24 - Attendance**

To receive apologies, substitutions and co-options

### **ES34/24 - Declarations of Interest**

2.1 To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda

2.2 To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)

2.3 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

### **ES35/24 - Minutes**

To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting held on 23rd April and 14th May 2024. Please note the after meeting note.

### **ES36/24 - Matters Arising**

To discuss any matters arising from the minutes that are not discussed elsewhere on the minutes

### **ES37/24 - Clerk's Report**

To note the following updates from the Town Clerk:

- Pump Track Consultation - 248 responses were received in total and 247 were positive and in favour of the project. One referred to improving a private site instead so is not valid. A request is being taken to the Strategy and Finance Committee regarding suppliers
- Biodiversity Audit - The biodiversity audit of Mill Park, Great Hollands Rec, Jocks Lane and Braybrooke have been booked and are taking place in the middle of June. A report will be brought to the next ES meeting

### **ES38/24 - Ongoing Projects**

The following projects are ongoing and updates will be brought to future meetings:

- Pump Track Consultation - held at the skate competition where lots of the youth and residents were engaged, to be continued online
- Work is underway on a five year plan for play area refurbishment
- Jocks Lane - Play equipment for older children
- Ennerdale - Park refurbishment
- Latimer - Park refurbishment

- Mill Park - The boat is being replaced as it has come to the end of its life
- Indian Bean Tree - As per request on CIL Report, the costs, protection and maintenance costs are being explored

### **ES39/24 - Community Events Working Group**

- It is requested that the Environmental Services Committee recommend to Full Council that the Community Events Working Group is disbanded. Most of the events run by the Council have been in place for many years and Officers manage them with support on the day from Councillors. There will be a standing agenda item on the Environmental Services agenda where all events will be discussed. It is requested that Councillor Cath Thompson is added as a member to the Environmental Services Committee.
- To note the upcoming events following the recent Working Group meeting.

#### Upcoming Events:

- 6th June 2024 80th Anniversary of D-Day
- 8th & 9th June 2024 SHP Food Festival - No stall to be run by BTC
- 22nd June 2024 Community and Culture Event celebrating 75 years of Bracknell New Town
- 29th June 2024 Armed Forces Day
- 10th July 2024 Teddy Bears' Picnic - *This has been moved due to the Election*
- 20th July Pride Event
- 7th August 2024 Summer of Fun - Green Champion to be invited
- Early-mid summer skate competition with The Wayz at Mill Park TBC
- 28th August 2024 Summer of Fun - Green Champion to be invited
- 3rd September 2024 Merchant Navy Day
- 27th/28th/29th September 2024 MacMillan Coffee Morning
- 6th October 2024 Silver Sunday
- 25th October 2024 100 years of the War Memorial
- 10th November 2024 Remembrance Parade

### **ES40/24 - Carbon Reduction Working Group**

To receive an update on the Working Group:

- The Carbon Reduction Plan was reviewed and will be sent to all Councillors with the minutes of the meeting
- Bonfires in the Borough and their environmental impact was discussed, this is being passed to BFC for further discussion
- Councillor Guy Gillbe is being nominated as a member of the JCAB (Joint Climate Action Board Working Group) as a BTC representative to encourage information sharing between Councils

### **ES41/24 - Play Equipment**

To receive updates and possible funding requests from the Town Clerk at the meeting on play area refurbishments at the following sites:

- Ennerdale
- Latimer
- Mill Park
- Jocks Lane

### **ES42/24 - Green Champion Election**

To decide on what the role of a Councillor Green Champion will include and if approved to send nominations to Full Council

### **ES43/24 - Steam Weed Control System**

To review the report detailing the costs of the current weed removal process and the eco-friendly steam weed control system. Committee is asked to decide which system to move forward with and request the funding from the Strategy and Finance Committee if moving to the steam system. Report to follow.

### **ES44/24 - Bracknell History Working Group**

A request has been received from Councillor Ellen Mac Hale to create a Bracknell History Working Group. The report attached details the recommended remit of the working group. Officers recommend that this working group is open to members of the public and that these are Councillor led meetings. Officers recommend a standing agenda item on the Environmental Services agenda for the working group to report into and to make requests which can then be voted on and taken through to Full Council.

If this working group is approved a list of membership nominations is to be recommended along with the creation of the group to Full Council.

### **ES45/24 - Fireworks on Open Spaces**

A concern has been raised regarding fireworks on open spaces. The law states that all fireworks are illegal in a public place unless licensed and controlled (i.e. the area has been made 'non-public'). Committee to consider a request to put up signage on open green spaces stating that fireworks are not legal on the sites

### **ES46/24 - CIL**

- To note the CIL report
- To suggest new ideas for CIL funding

The CIL report is to follow.

## **ES47/24 - Work Start and Completed**

To note the work started and completed by the Grounds Team. Please note that this list is shorter than usual as the mowing season has begun.

**Date of the next Meeting: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber  
Brooke House**

### **Attached Documents:**

Minutes:

[2024-04-23 - Environmental Services Committee - Minutes.pdf](#)

[2024-05-14 - Environmental Services Committee Meeting - Minutes.pdf](#)

Working Group:

[Bracknell History Working Group.docx](#)

Work Completed:

[Works 23.04 - 24.05.pdf](#)