



3 June 2019

To: Members of the Grounds & Environmental Committee (Councillors R Berry, S Jones, T Morris, J D'Este-Hoare, F Kharawala, B Spurr, V Harvey, A Gray and P Snelling)
(Copies to all Town Councillors for information)

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of **Grounds & Environmental Committee** to be held on **Monday, 10 June 2019** commencing at **7.30 pm** in the Council Chamber, The White House, Hockliffe Street, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, LU7 1HD.

**THIS MEETING MAY
BE RECORDED ***

Mark Saccoccio

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Town Clerk

AGENDA

- 1. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the Members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk.

- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

(i) Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4) and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the Member's Register of Interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.

(ii) Should any Member have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in an item on the agenda, the Member may not participate in consideration of that item unless a Dispensation has first been requested (in writing) and granted by the Council (see Dispensation Procedure).

- 4. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

To receive questions and statements from members of the public in respect of any item of business included in the agenda, as provided for in Standing Order

No.s 3(f) and 3(h).

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 6)

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the Grounds & Environmental Committee meeting held on 4 March 2019.

6. COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE

To meet our judges for this year's Communities in Bloom 'International Challenge' and receive a brief presentation.

7. ALLOTMENTS

To receive a report regarding allotments and consider the recommendation/s contained therein (to follow).

8. 'FRIENDS' GROUPS (Pages 7 - 12)

To receive a report regarding local 'Friends' groups and to consider the recommendation/s contained therein.

9. CEMETERIES RULES AND REGULATIONS REVIEW (Pages 13 - 50)

To receive a report regarding the Cemeteries Rules and Regulations and to consider the recommendation/s contained therein (attached).

10. TREE MANAGEMENT POLICY REVIEW (Pages 51 - 70)

To receive a report regarding the Tree Management Policy review and consider the recommendation/s contained therein.

11. ROSPA PLAY AREAS INSPECTION REPORT (Pages 71 - 74)

To receive and note the annual play areas inspection report (attached).

12. COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES AND WORK PLAN (Pages 75 - 76)

To receive and consider the Committee Objectives and Work Plan for 2019-2020. (attached).

13. ASTRAL PARK (Pages 77 - 84)

(a) To receive a general update report regarding the Astral Park Sports and Community Centre and to consider any recommendation/s contained therein (attached).

(b) To receive a report regarding the Task & Finish Group and consider the recommendation/s contained therein (attached).

14. PAGES PARK REFURBISHMENT PROJECT UPDATES

To receive a verbal update from the Head of Grounds and Environmental Services regarding Pages Park refurbishment.

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