

**LEIGHTON-LINSLADE TOWN COUNCIL
 GROUNDS & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
 WORK PLAN 2021-2022 (INCORPORATING OBJECTIVES 2019-2024)**

Grounds & Environmental Strategic Objectives for 2019-2024 (from Town Council Five Year Plan 2019-2024)

Overarching Objective 4 – Great Public Open Spaces: to provide great public open spaces with varied opportunities for sport and leisure and to exceed expectations in delivering cemetery and allotment services.

Objective ref.no. (5 Yr. Plan)	Objective	Comments
5	To review waste and recycling operations	<u>Completed</u> - New contract awarded October 2019. Reviewed in December 2020
7	To increase environmental awareness and incorporate the Town Council's environmental ambitions across all facilities and service areas	Ongoing
17	To consider delivery of a Town Ranger service	Staffing now in place and approach made by Central Bedfordshire Council regarding Public Realm improvements. Council endorsed Central Bedfordshire Council Public Realm Scheme. Awarded £100,000 worth of funding for equipment. Awaiting MOU to be signed
27	To consider ways to support the increase in leisure opportunities for older people	Ongoing – purchase and installation of new table tennis tables complete. Awaiting recommendations from the Older Persons Task and Finish Group
28	To refurbish Pages Park pavilion to ensure it is safe and suitable for continued community and sporting use	<u>Completed</u>
29	To create a plan for the management, maintenance and use of all pavilion buildings	Ongoing – External cleaning contractor appointed, new pavilions supervisor in place
30	To continue to provide excellent play equipment across the parish and to expand the range of accessible play equipment available	Ongoing – annually received in the March committee meeting, to agree the next year's programme of works

31	To expand memorial services available at Town Council run cemeteries	<u>Additions to Vandyke Road Cemetery Completed</u> - New memorial options installed, and pricing agreed September 2020. Considerations for Old Linslade Cemetery under review Enhanced marketing from 1 st April 2021
32	To continue to actively seek additional cemetery land or where this is not possible, to consider other ways in which to expand burial capacity	Central Bedfordshire Council approached – Update to committee in June 2021
33	To continue to computerise historic cemetery records	Ongoing – Please note it is highly likely that this may never be completed. Possibilities for volunteers undertaking some work will be reviewed and updated to committee for consideration when possible
34	To create a ten-year planned maintenance programme for buildings and assets	Ongoing – Previously taken to 2 nd December 2019 committee meeting
35	To continue to seek freehold depot premises	
36	To continue to aim towards the creation of Friends groups	Ongoing – Previously taken to 10 th June 2019 committee meeting
37	To consider options for the restoration of historic features and monuments, where practicable and viable	
38	To seek to maintain and enhance sporting provision	Ongoing – Sports and Physical Activity Development Plan currently being revised (Sept 2020)
39	To continue to build on the success of the annual Anglia in Bloom campaign	Ongoing annually received in the December committee meeting Campaign Achievements – 2021 (Cancelled), 2020 (Cancelled), 2019 (Gold)
40	To install interpretation panels in the parks and open spaces	Ongoing – Previously taken to the 9 th September 2019 committee meeting Update to be provided at the June committee meeting
41	To install drinking water fountains in the larger parks	Work on this project has been postponed until 2022/2023

42	To install a Changing Places pod facility in Parson's Close Recreation Ground to meet the requirements of additional needs	<u>Completed</u> – Fully funded through S106 monies from Central Bedfordshire Council.
43	To consider the development of the playground in Parson's Close Recreation Ground to incorporate an adventure play area	Ongoing – Awaiting formal award.
44	To consider car parking arrangements and capacity at town council owned facilities	Linslade Memorial Playing Field – CBC approached regarding enforcement
45	To continue to invest in facilities for young people	Sept 2020 – purchase of outdoor table tennis tables agreed
46	To work with key partners on the development of the Leighton-Linslade Green Wheel	Endorsed by Council and is now being implemented where possible. £20k of funds made available for projects to be completed
47	To assess the likely future demand for allotments	Update to committee March 2022
48	To consider possibilities for the restoration of the Henry Finch Memorial Fountain in Linslade Recreation Ground.	

Wider aspirations as contained in the Partnership Project List may also be subject to periodic review by this Committee, as appropriate.

MEETING DATES 2021-2022

Meeting Date	Regular Updates	Fixed Deadline items	Other anticipated discussion items
<p>7 June 2021</p> <p>MEETING CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19</p>	<p>Parson's Close Recreation Ground – Inclusive play area project update</p> <p>Ouzel Valley Park Steering Group Update</p>		<p>Cemetery Update (Looking at the effects of the pandemic, capacity and the marketing of a self-funded second mausoleum at Vandyke Road Cemetery) moved to December..</p> <p>Allotment Update (Looking at the effects of the pandemic on waiting lists and updating Members on work with the LLAA) moved to September.</p>
<p>6 September 2021</p>	<p>3-month budget monitoring</p> <p>Parson's Close Recreation Ground – Inclusive play area project update</p> <p>Ouzel Valley Park Steering Group Update</p>	<p>Review priority projects for inclusion in 2022-23 budget – <i>The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons 2nd June 2022.</i></p>	<p><i>Allotment Update (Looking at the effects of the pandemic on waiting lists and updating Members on work with the LLAA)</i></p> <p><i>RoSPA annual play area inspection report</i></p> <p><i>Pavilion hire review & fees + charges from 1 April 2022</i> <i>moved to December.</i></p> <p><i>Review of Green Flag Award recommendations</i></p>
<p>6 December 2021</p>	<p>6-month budget monitoring</p> <p>Parson's Close Recreation Ground – Inclusive play area project update</p> <p>Ouzel Valley Park Steering Group Update</p>	<p>Receipt of draft budget 2022-23</p>	<p>Cemetery Update</p> <p><i>Allotment Update</i> <i>moved to September.</i></p> <p><i>Pavilion hire review & fees + charges from 1 April 2022</i></p> <p><i>To install interpretation panels in the parks and open spaces (Objective #40)</i></p>
<p>7 March 2022</p>	<p>9-month budget monitoring</p>		<p><i>Review of the play area improvement and safer surfacing programme (Objective #30)</i></p>

	Ouzel Valley Park Steering Group Update		<i>Consider draft committee work plan and priorities for 2022-23</i>
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