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To members of the Environment Committee: Councillors: Barrett, James, Smith, Fenton, Andrews, Chaudhuri, Harris, Barks

You are summoned to a meeting of the Environment committee to be held on **Monday 27 January 2025 at 6:30pm** at the Jubilee Pavilion, Keedwell Hill, Long Ashton, BS41 9DP.

Ruth McAllister
Admin & Committee Clerk
20 January 2025

As per the Council's Standing Orders, members of the public may make representations, answer questions and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend only during the time designated for public participation. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman may permit further public participation. The period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 30 minutes, this will be limited to 5 minutes per speaker. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.

Participation should be requested in advance by contacting the Assistant Clerk to ensure appropriate time is made available.

Public Participation

- A resident has been invited to speak with regard to item 7c

A G E N D A

- 1) **Apologies for Absence** LGA 1972 section 85 (1)
To receive any apologies for absence.
- 2) **Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations**
To receive any Declarations of Interest, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct (adopted on 17th March 2022) and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33. *(NB this does not **preclude** any later declarations).*
- 3) **Minutes of the Previous Meeting (*Paper*)** LGA 1972, Schedule 12, paragraph 41(1)
To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on 18 November 2024.
- 4) **Transport, Highways & Road Safety**
 - a. Bus Service Improvement Plan ('BSIP')
To receive a report from Cllr Martyn Harris
 - b. VAS Rownham Hill
To receive a report from Cllr Martyn Harris
 - c. Kingcott Mill Farm Park Home Estate
To receive a report from Cllr Stuart McQuillan (Ward Councillor) regarding progress on any developments with improvements for pedestrians accessing the Estate.

- d. Disabled parking bay at Long Ashton Surgery
To note that, at Long Ashton surgery, double yellow lines to cover the length of the original disabled bay to allow disabled badge holders to park on the lines, have been installed as per the NSC TRO.
- e. Air quality test
To note that the request of an air quality test was approved by NSC. A diffusion tube will be placed near to Northleaze School, and below the elevated section of the A370, from Jan 2025.
- f. Love Saves the Day & Balloon Fiesta
To note that Bristol Balloon Festival organisers have not responded to repeated requests to discuss resident feedback regarding car parking, residents' permitted parking, and road closures during the festival. Love Saves The Day set up an online feedback form to gather resident views, which will help inform their planning of the 2025 event. Note this positive engagement with the local community from LSTD event organisers.
- g. Vehicle Activated Speed (VAS) Signs
To note that Village Ranger to collaborate with Dave Addis regarding the handover of responsibilities for vehicle activated speed signs, including their maintenance and placement.

5) **Leigh Woods**

To receive an update on behalf of residents from Cllr Martyn Harris.

6) **Working Groups**

- a. Biodiversity Working Group (*Paper*)
To receive an update.
- b. Public Art Working Group
To note that enquiries are being made regarding artwork information board(s),
- c. Burial Ground Working Group (*Paper*)
To receive an update.
- d. Providence Lane Traffic Calming Working Group
To receive a report from Cllr Stuart McQuillan (Ward Councillor)
- e. Climate Action Working Group
Accept Councillor members. Resolve to close the Working Group if no Councillor members.

7) **Parks, Play Areas and Open Spaces**

- a. Operational (Monthly) Inspection Reports (*Paper*)
To receive inspection reports for Chancellors Park, Gardeners Walk and Kings Croft playparks for November and December [poss Jan] 2024 – recommendations are all Low risk.
- b. Green oak arch – Burial Ground (*Paper*)
To assess quotes for the replacement/repair/removal of the green oak arch at the Burial Ground and approve next steps. Note that a budget of up to £1000 to ensure that the structure is made safe in the short term has already been agreed.
- c. Amendments to No Mow May areas - Perry Road & Pear Tree Avenue (*Paper*)
To consider and approve the suggested amendments to No Mow May zones.

d. Information signs for No Mow May

To consider and approve a budget of up to £250 for the purchase of reusable signage to demarcate No Mow May areas.

e. Proposed Tree Management Policy (*Paper*)

To approve the proposed Tree Management Policy.

f. Devolved responsibility to empty litter bins (*Paper*)

In addition to the existing bins, to approve the weekly emptying of 22 litter bins at the cost of £4,576 + VAT per annum. North Somerset Council have stated that if the Parish Council do not take on these bins they will be permanently removed.

(8) **Contribution to LANCE Trust event to mark International Day for Biological Diversity** (*Paper*)

To approve £44.10 (*from Climate Action budget using power Community support and engagement (Local Government Act 1972 ss. 111, 140 etc)*) to fund the room hire cost for LANCE Trust event

(9) **Date & Time of Next Meeting**

Monday 10 March 2025 at 6:30pm