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**To members of the Environment Committee:** Councillors: Fagg, Jackson, Anderson, Hardingham, Harris, Ives, James, McAllister Kemp, McQuillan (NSC Ward Councillor) and Purkiss.

You are summoned to a meeting of the Environment committee to be held on **Monday 30 January 2023 at 7:30pm** at the Jubilee Pavilion, Keedwell Hill, Long Ashton, BS41 9DP.

Karen Aniola  
Assistant Clerk  
23 January 2023

*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 Clerk to ensure appropriate time is made available.*

## A G E N D A

1)	<b>Apologies for Absence</b> LGA 1972 section 85 (1) To receive any apologies for absence and to approve the reasons given.
2)	<b>Declarations of Interests and Grant of Dispensations</b> 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 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2022) and to consider any requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33. <i>(NB this does not <b>preclude</b> any later declarations).</i>
3)	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting (<i>Paper</i>)</b> LGA 1972, Schedule 12, paragraph 41(1) To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on 28 November 2022.
4)	<b>Transport, Highways &amp; Road Safety</b>
	a. <u>Rownham Hill – Leigh Woods</u> ( <i>Paper</i> ) To receive and discuss a report from a resident about the safety of Rownham Hill, to agree whether action is required and what options are available.
	b. <u>Kingcott Mill Farm Park Home Estate</u> To receive an update.
	c. <u>Durnford Quarry</u> To receive an update.
	d. <u>Cancellation of X2 Bus Service</u> To note the introduction from 4 April of Demand Responsive Transport (DRT), being introduced in 14 zoned areas across the West of England, 4 in North Somerset (Clevedon/Portishead, Weston-super-Mare, the SE of N Somerset including Bristol Airport,

	and the SW/SE of N Somerset with links to Axbridge. Buses will go where they're needed, without set timetables or routes. There will be three buses in each zone running from 7am-7pm booked via a call centre or mobile app.
	e. <u>NSC Active Travel Action Plan (Paper)</u> To note the consultation period was moved and now ends on 20 February, and that all councillors are being invited to suggest project requests in relation to 7 NSC Active Travel Plans: <i>Safer Routes to School; Liveable Neighbourhoods, Transport Behaviour Change, First &amp; Last Mile, 20mph Areas, Active Travel Network and Rural Lanes</i> , to enable LAPC to submit a response.
5)	<b>Leigh Woods</b> To receive an update.
6)	<b>Burial Ground</b>
	a. <u>Gardener – Biodiversity Plan (Paper)</u> To receive information about signage and fencing and sign off the new pond as part of the gardening strategy for maximising the Burial Ground's contribution to biodiversity.
	b. <u>Millennium Yew (Paper)</u> To receive further information about the origins of the yew tree in the Meadow section of the burial ground, consider quotes and approve a commemorative plaque on a stand to be situated by the tree.
	c. <u>Flooding (Paper)</u> To receive a report about recent flooding in the burial ground, to note advice received from ICCM, and to consider a quote for groundwater risk assessment.
7)	<b>Backwell Recycling Centre</b> To note NSC's decision to abandon its proposal to close Backwell Recycling Centre.
8)	<b>Healthy Village Analysis (Paper)</b> To note the action arising from November Full Council's Health and Wellbeing working group report of the analysis from the two consultations with the community about the concept of a Healthy Village. Report to be reviewed, and identify "now, soon or later" items that can be reported back to the March Full Council meeting.
9)	<b>Working Group Reports</b>
	a. <u>Biodiversity Working Group</u> To receive an update.
	b. <u>Public Art Working Group</u> To receive an update.
	c. <u>Village Enhancement Scheme/Piccolo's Working Grp</u> To receive an update.
10)	<b>Paths &amp; Public Rights of Way (Paper)</b>
	To discuss and approve a draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan, noting the outcomes of a recent meeting with North Somerset Council with regards to potential contributions to funding by LAPC for improvements, and agreeing priority of spend for various steps, signage, way marking and furniture issues.

11)	<b>Parks, Play Areas and Public Open Spaces</b>
	<p>a. <u>Trees</u> To agree a location and species of tree to plant for the King's Coronation as delegated by Full Council Resolution on 23 January: <i>"Resolved – To agree to plant a tree to commemorate the King's Coronation. To allow a budget of up to £300 (EMR Tree Planting) to include a commemorative plaque. Details to be agreed at the next Environment Cte meeting."</i></p>
	<p>b. <u>Festivals</u> To note that Volkfest 2023 (Birches Farm) takes place 9-11 June, and to delegate Asst Clerk to request a donation towards the cost of extra dog bin emptying (gratefully received last year).</p>
12)	<b>Date &amp; Time of Next Meeting</b> Monday 20 March 2023 at 7:30pm

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