

# Knutsford Town Council

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## Minutes

*of the*

### Environment and General Purposes Committee meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019

*In the Lower Council Chamber of the Town Council Offices*

**EGP19/032 Present**

Cllrs Power, Robertson, Abel, Beswick, Dalzell, Fletcher and Malloy.

In attendance: A Keppel-Green (*Town Clerk*) and Cllr McCulloch

**EGP19/033 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Gardiner (personal business).

**EGP19/034 To note declarations of members' interests**

Cllr Power declared a personal interest in EGP19/039 as a former member of the Cheshire Beekeepers Association.

**EGP19/035 Public Participation**

A resident counselled against merging the open spaces budget with a nature projects budget stating that there should be an annual commitment to reserves towards capital works at play areas in the future and further suggested the council set an example and install a cycle shelter at its offices.

A resident stated he was keen to champion tree preservation and planting and wishes to encourage the growing and nurturing of trees. The resident stated he intended to undertake a survey in spring to create up-to-date data on the species of trees in Knutsford.

**EGP19/036 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> July**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes.

**EGP19/037 To consider the committee budget and spending to date**

The budget and spending to date was noted.

It was requested that proposals be prepared for the next meeting on the cycle shelters project.

**EGP19/038 To consider the replacement of faded and missing street name plates**

It was **RESOLVED** to replace the signs at Mereheath Park, Swinton Square, Parkgate, Westfield Drive, Glebelands Road, Moulton Close, Mead Close, Northfields, Norbury Close, Pevensey Drive, Summers Way, Brook Lane and Sandieleg Avenue and that the signs include 'Knutsford Town Council' on each sign.

**EGP19/039 To consider projects to promote biodiversity and enhance the environment**

It was **RESOLVED** to commission Cheshire Wildlife Trust to sow a wildflower meadow on the Barncroft. It was **RESOLVED** to task the Town Clerk with developing a detailed plan incorporating the projects outlined in report ENV1912.

**EGP19/040 To consider the draft committee budget 2020/21**

It was **RESOLVED** to create a commitment to reserves budget line for future play area investment of £1,000 per year. It was **RESOLVED** to increase the open spaces and nature projects budget to £9,600.

Cllr Beswick arrived.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the draft budget as amended.

**EGP19/041 Member questions to the Clerk**

No questions were raised.

**EGP19/042 To consider the town maintenance log**

The log was noted.

**EGP19/043 To consider the actions log**

The log was noted.

**EGP19/044 To note the date of the next meeting**

The date was noted.