

**MINUTES OF THE WELLINGTON TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE HELD AT WELLINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 4.00 PM**

**Present:** Councillor M McGuffie (Chairman)  
Councillors M Barr, C Booth and M Lithgow  
**In attendance:** David Farrow (Town Clerk), Annette Kirk (Deputy Clerk), Alice Kendall (Deputy RFO)  
1 Member of the press  
1 Member of the public

**241 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors C Govier and J Lloyd

**242 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**243 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** to confirm and sign the minutes of the meetings held on 19 July 2022 as a true record after adding Councillor Thorne to the list of those in attendance.

**244 IN LIEU OF PUBLIC SPEAKING TO RECEIVE ANY REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The member of the public did not wish to speak.

**245 GREEN CORRIDOR LAND**

Notes from a recent meeting of the Steering Group were circulated with the agenda and the Town Clerk gave an update. It was noted that the Group's Terms of Reference should have been presented for approval, but they will now be ratified at the October Full Council meeting instead.

**246 DOG BIN PROVISION**

As requested at the previous meeting, an updated map showing litter bins as well as dog bins was circulated with the agenda.

**RESOLVED** to give delegated authority to Officers to place an order for two additional dog bins. One to be located on the footpath near Relyon (between Brendon Road and Lillebonne Way) and another in the Parklands Road area (to service the path through to Isambard Kingdom Brunel Primary School). The exact locations to be agreed between Somerset West and Taunton and the Deputy RFO after carrying out a site visit.

It was also agreed to request that Somerset West & Taunton install a litter bin in their playing pitch at Hoyles Road.

**247 LAND AT JURSTON FARM**

The Town Clerk gave an update on his discussions with GC Fry and other groups. There are still matters to consider which will be reported to future meetings.

**248 CARBON NEUTRAL STRATEGY**

The Chairman gave a presentation on the Strategy. It was agreed that work around this could be carried out by a fixed term project manager who is experienced in this field. This is also linked to the staffing review that is currently in progress.

**249 PLAY AREAS**

A background paper was circulated with the agenda with details on play areas at Tonedale (Richards Close), Chestnut Drive, Corner Close and Weavers reach.

**RECOMMENDED** to Full Council that the Council approach Persimmon and Somerset West and Taunton to take ownership (including maintenance) of the play area at Corner Close.

**RECOMMENDED** to Full Council that the Councillor's Solicitors be instructed to enter negotiations with Burgess Salmon to take ownership of the play area at Weavers Reach from the Crown Estate. Fees and purchase cost to be funded from the Capital Projects reserve.

Councillor Booth and the Deputy RFO will continue with planning a meeting with Somerset West & Taunton to visit each play area in the town and carry out an assessment of their condition and report back to a future meeting. It is hoped that an early discussion can be had regarding the impact on areas currently owned and maintained by the District Council once the new Unitary Authority has come into effect.

**250 LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN UPDATE**

Information was circulated with the agenda and the Town Clerk explained the process used to carry out an audit on the identified walking routes. Now this has been carried out, the Town Council can implement audits of other routes. The cycling audit will be carried out next.

**251 NOTICE BOARDS**

A report detailing options for the replacement of the notice boards at Tonedale and the Basins. Councillors asked that officers try to obtain energy figures for the production of a new board. Also to approach carpenters to gather quotes for replacement of just the cabinet of the Tonedale board.

**252 BUDGET SETTING**

The Committee received tables with details of the Budget lines they often spend from. It was **RECOMMENDED** to the Finance Committee that the lines for grass cutting and weed killing be removed as they have not been utilised for a number of years. The Deputy RFO reminded Councillors that they should contact the Officers as soon as possible with any details of projects they would to see in the 23-24 budget.

**253 TREE PLANTING**

- a. Development of Wellington Tree Policy – to discuss the development of a policy to promote tree planting in the town - Chairman
- b. To consider how to take up the offer from SWT of £100 of free trees i.e., which trees and where to plant them – Town Clerk

The Deputy RFO read an e-mail received from Beech Grove School who would like to work with the Council to plant trees available for free from provided by the Woodland Trust. It was agreed that this would be a valuable project.

The Chairman gave a presentation including a number of slides with various information during which it was agreed that the awaited strategy from Somerset West & Taunton would inform the Council's way forward.

Towards the end of the presentation, Councillor Lithgow left the room which caused the meeting to no longer be quorate, so the Chairman called the meeting to a close.

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.51 pm**

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**Councillor Michael McGuffie**  
**Chairman**



## GREEN CORRIDOR ADVISORY GROUP

3 November 2022 7.00pm Wellington Town Council, Council Chamber

### Present:

Mike McGuffie – Chair, Town Councillor  
 Benno – Wellington Community Food (WCF)  
 Steve Coles – Wellington Sports Federation (WSF)  
 Dave Farrow – Wellington Town Council Town Clerk  
 Helen Gillingham – TTW  
 Seve Saunders – Basins Volunteer Group (BVG)  
 Keith Wheatley – Town Councillor

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions – Mike McGuffie

#### 2. Update on Purchase/Lease – Dave Farrow

DF advised that matters had begun to progress – the Town Council solicitor had been sent a proposed lease and was reviewing it prior to passing it to the Town Council for consideration. No date yet fixed for sale to SWT. DF will contact Jo O'Hara for an update and advise the group when he hears anything

#### 3. Consultation update to include proposal to commission drone footage to support the process. - Dave Farrow

The Group agreed that drone footage to support the consultation and inform the community about what the Green Corridor consisted of would be beneficial and recommended that the Environment and Open Spaces Committee consider commissioning it at its next meeting.

DF had previously explained at the last meeting the complications caused by multiple consultations taking place in the town in quick succession. It was important that the community saw how they fitted together so a structure had been developed which started with the SWT Local Plan consultation taking precedence which would then be used to inform and link in with the other consultations including the Green Corridor. It was understood that the WCF would need its element of the consultation to be completed sooner rather than later to support funding applications etc. It was agreed that the consultation should progress as soon as possible now the SWT Local Plan consultation had been completed. DF hoped that the following day he would be getting feedback on that. IT was agreed that DF would circulate the questions drafted so far, the following day and that the group would reconvene via Zoom the following week to discuss further.

#### 4. Development of Management Plan – all

DF outlined the need for a management plan for the land that set out how the Town Council was going to look after the land and manage developments. It was felt that for Year 1 a very basic plan was needed which would set out the maintenance arrangements for the land including topping of fields, clearance of

footpaths, maintenance of hedgerows etc. Where possible it should be generic, but it was recognised that in some cases there may be a need to set out what would be done in individual fields. HG said that TTW would make a start on looking at a plan and bring a draft back to the December meeting

5. Possible Archaeological Interest – Dave Farrow

DF circulated a presentation from Dr Andy Beckley, a local geologist, about potential archaeological interest in the Green Corridor arising from finds close to it. It was agreed that exploring the archaeology the area should be a strand of the strategy.

6. Storage at Fox's Field – Helen Gillingham

HG explained that TTW had decided that some form of storage was required at Fox's Field and that after consideration a storage container similar to those used by the BVG was what was needed. The intention was also to attach an awning to the container so that outdoor meetings/sessions could be held.

Potential costs of the unit was £4500 with a further £1500 needed to create pathway/base for the unit to be delivered and sited on.

TTW has applied for a grant of £1,000 and was wondering of the Town Council would fund the balance.

DF and MM said they would look at how best to fund and take a recommendation to the next meeting of the Environment and Open Spaces Committee.

7. Tree Strategy – Mike McGuffie/Dave Farrow

DF circulated a copy of a proposed Tree Planting Strategy that it is hoped will be presented to the EOS Committee at its next meeting. TTW and WCF had already provided comments which had been incorporated. Further comments were invited.

8. Date of Next Meeting –16 November 2022 @7.30pm via Zoom – one item agenda to consider consultation questions.

Dave Farrow  
Town Clerk

## **Paper for Environment and Open Spaces Committee Meeting November 2022**

### **FUNDING REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF STORAGE CONTAINER AT FOX'S FIELD**

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is seek the Committees view on whether it should recommend to the Town Council that funding from the Green Corridor Budget line is used to contribute to the cost of purchasing and installing a storage container on Fox's Field.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 Over the summer Transition Town Wellington (TTW) unfortunately experienced arson in their field and whilst the damage was not significant it did raise an issue for them in relation to security of equipment. At the moment equipment is stored in a TTW member's residential garage but this arrangement is coming to an end and the preference would be to have storage on site.
- 2.2 TTW has explored options and would like to acquire a storage container similar to those used by the Basins Volunteer Group and install it by the gate on the corner of Burchills Hill. They would like to screen it and the intention is to also have an awning coming out from the side that will enable outdoor meetings to take place and potential for an educational facility.
- 2.3 To enable the container to be installed, work will need to be done to install a chipping base for it as well as a 'driveway' from the gate to the site to allow the lorry to deliver and place it. Subsequently this could be used as a small parking area when the container is installed.

#### **3. Cost and Funding**

- 3.1 TTW are looking at a 20' x 8' container similar to the ones used by the Basins Volunteer Group. Indicative costs are that this would be in the region of £4000.
- 3.2 Installing the 'driveway' and base have been quoted at £1500.
- 3.3 TTW has applied for a grant of £1,000 to support the cost leaving a gap of £4,500 and TTW has asked if the Council would be willing to meet the gap in funding. This could be done from the Green Corridor budget which has not been use much this year.

#### **4. Legal**

- 4.1 At the moment the land is still owned by Somerset West and Taunton Council and it is unwilling to make decisions about infrastructure on the field

when the land will be leased to us. In addition, we will need to take our own legal advice in relation to the basis on which the container can be installed so at this stage if we choose to agree to fund it can only be an in principle decision subject to further legal work being done.

Dave Farrow  
Town Clerk



## Wellington Town Council Tree Planting Strategy

### **Aim**

This strategy's aim is for Wellington to increase its volume of trees, particularly increasing tree cover from 6% to as much as 25%. This will help offset carbon emissions and allow the town to adapt to climate change by providing more shade and wildlife habitats. We will create habitat mosaics of trees, scrub and grassland that benefit wildlife and we will ensure that diverse trees are planted for maximum climate and disease resilience.

This project is a long-term one, as many trees would be delivered as saplings. We predict that we can reach our goals over the next 20 years. We will work with local community groups and co-ordinate with neighbouring parishes to deliver this strategy.

## **How we will do it**

We will identify areas of land in the town that could accommodate tree planting and plan what trees can go where. For example:

- Wellington Town Council will be leasing 64 acres of land from Somerset West and Taunton Council in the form of the Green Corridor and owns approximately 4 acres at Westford Field. These locations will be ideal for planting as they have plenty of space and the scope to have a variety of trees to cater to different needs.
- There are areas of land in the town e.g., car parks, play areas and grass verges that could be used with the landowner's permission. We will approach the landowner to seek permission and, if given, enter into an agreement in relation to planting and maintenance of the trees.
- We will encourage residents, schools and businesses to plant trees on their sites and to identify potentially suitable sites in their neighbourhood for tree planting.
- Locations in town will be identified as suitable for the planting of trees directly into the pavement.

We will take advantage of opportunities to access free and discounted trees. For example:

- The Woodland Trust has a scheme that gives away tree packs to schools and communities. There is a choice of 8 packs, each with a different selection of trees that fits a different environmental goal or planting area. Each school and community group are entitled to apply, In addition, the Woodland Trust has tree packs available for purchase from £16 to £150. Officers have already been contacted by one school and one community group that are interested in taking part in this scheme.
- Somerset West and Taunton Council have offered free trees to councils to a value of £100.
- The Woodland Trust has funding and schemes available for farmers where up to 100% of the cost of trees can be covered. This scheme is designed to benefit the business of productive farms, including a site visit and tree planting assessment.
- The Woodland Trust's MOREwoods scheme helps with the planning and designing of woodland where more than 500 trees are planted on at least half a hectare. This scheme can cover up to 75% of the costs.
- Landowners, land managers and public bodies can apply to the England Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO) for support to create new woodland, including through natural colonisation, on areas as small as one hectare. We could receive over £10,000 per hectare to support our woodland creation scheme.

We will use Council land to act as a nursery for growing trees which can then be planted around the town.

We will make the creation of woodland a public event. The community will be encouraged to get involved by hosting tree planting events like those hosted by Transition Town Wellington.

## Planting Ideas

### Green Corridor - Children's Wood

In 1992, Taunton Deane planted a tree for every child born in the area over a set amount of time resulting in 3000 trees being planted. Since this project was undertaken 30 years ago it is difficult to get any more information on the specifics. On the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this planting, in 2017, an "Apple Day" was held to celebrate the project. All children who were born within the period were invited to attend where there was a range of activities and entertainment.

Something like this could be done by planting a tree for each child born in 2023 who lives in Wellington. Alternatively, parents can apply to sponsor a tree for their child. If we choose to do this we must consider imposing an age limit on applicants, for example, parents with children under 2 years old can apply. A plaque would be installed at the location with all the children's names and to hold a planting event. There would also be opportunities to hold more events with the children as they age and the wood grows, events can be held at 5-year intervals.

### Green Corridor - Forest School and Working Wood

Given the Green Corridor's proximity to a few schools, it would be an excellent location to establish a forest school. Although this project would be taking place on much longer timescale, it would fit in well with the goal to make the Green Corridor an environmental community hub. The Woodland Trust has a "Working Wood" package that includes tree species that can be used for carving and weaving. These activities could be led by a freelance teacher or by a member of staff that we employ to manage the Green Corridor and its activities. The "Working Wood" would be beneficial to both children and adults so a range of classes could be held there, allowing a broad range of use.

Forest school allows children to explore the natural environment and gain a variety of skills as they play. Forest schools build self-esteem and resilience as well as aiding in confidence. Children will be exposed to elements of risk in a controlled environment, allowing them to gain independence. They can explore teamwork and problem solving in age-appropriate scenarios and hone their motor skills with physical activities. Forest school is meant to be accessible to all and can be especially beneficial to SEN (Special Educational Needs) students who struggle in regular classroom settings.

The "Working Wood" would encompass the same area and trees as the forest school, allowing for a multi-purpose space that cater to all ages. Adults can attend classes here on activities such as wood carving and weaving and may also be interested in honing their own forest skills.

### Green Corridor - Foraging

Many people have become increasingly interested in foraging for their own food, not only for its cost effectiveness but also for the benefits of eating fresh and local. The Woodland Trust has a tree package that includes crab apples, elderflowers, hazelnuts and more. This

variety would allow people to utilise the woodland to gather their own food. We may need to exercise some level of control over the harvesting, letting the public know when the plants are ready asking people to only harvest what they will use themselves. A foraging wood would also have opportunities for community events as recipes for jams can be shared and cooking classes can be held at the site.

### Green Corridor - Wildlife

The area of the Green Corridor and The Basins is already known for its wildlife, and we could increase biodiversity by establishing a woodland designed especially for that purpose. The Woodland Trust's "Wildlife" package includes trees that provide food and shelter for native species. This woodland would attract a variety of birds, making this an ideal spot for birdwatchers to flock to. We will consider installing a birdwatching hut and producing checklists of birds and other wildlife that can be seen in the area.

### Town – Car Parks

There are opportunities to plant trees in the car parks around town to reduce their heat absorption and to allow cars to utilise their shade in the summertime. These trees will be planted in a similar fashion to those in Tiverton by using a diamond-shaped platform surrounding the tree. Planting these trees would not impact parking provision and would still allow cars to use the spaces surrounding the trees. The Woodland Trust has an "Urban Trees" package that feature species that thrive in an urban environment. We would need to gain permission from the owners of the car parks and pay for surveys into electric and gas lines that may be under the tarmac. We would devise a plan for leaf clear-up in the autumn and ensure that any loose and broken branches are removed to avoid damage to vehicles.

### Town – Residential

We will find ways to encourage residents of Wellington to plant trees within our boundaries such as in their own garden. We would create applications for people who would like to be gifted a tree. Precedence would be given to those where a planted tree would have a better chance to thrive. Applications could be focussed in an area that has fewer trees or that has lower income.

### Public Spaces

Trees can be planted in grass verges or on the street with planters or even directly into the pavement. This will count towards our overall tree cover and also aid in creating sanctuaries for wildlife and creating cooler, shaded spots in more locations. We will research the best locations and tree species for this work and will gain permission from the relevant bodies where necessary.

### **Maintenance and Aftercare**

We will ensure that any woodland created has a tailor-made maintenance and aftercare strategy that is produced with the help of experts. An contractor or an employee of the Council would be responsible for the maintenance of woodland and their duties would be regularly reviewed by the appropriate committees as the needs and uses of the woodland evolve.

## **Community Involvement**

Involving the community will be the cornerstone of making this project a success. We will seek the opinions of the community before and during any individual plantings, seeking their views of planting locations as well of the use of any woodland. We will offer them the opportunity to engage in the process by hosting planting events and sharing growth and progress on our social media channels.

## NOTICE BOARDS

*For Environment and Open Spaces November 2022*

### 1. Background

- 1.1. Following the report presented to the last meeting, during discussion it was requested that details of the environmental impact of manufacturing the new notice boards should be sought. Unfortunately, this has proven difficult. I have therefore recommended a Man-Made Timber option below which, being made mostly from recycled plastic, provides the most sustainable option.
- 1.2. Councillor Lithgow reported to the office that there are two wooden posts in Priory, near to the Chiropractors, that suggest a notice board used to be there. He requested that the replacement of this be added to the scope of this project.
- 1.3. After discussing the requirements of the board at the Basins with the volunteer group, it was identified that this board would benefit from being 'double sided' to allow them to display appropriate notices as well as Council documents relating to the Green Corridor work.

### 2. Materials & Specification

- 2.1. As per the options presented at the last meeting, I recommend that the Man-Made Timber option from Green Barnes be chosen. This is a material manufactured largely from recycled plastic and is also low maintenance. An information sheet is attached.
- 2.2. Headers are an additional cost and have been added to each board as detailed in the table below. Lettering is available in cut vinyl lettering, plain engraved lettering or engraving with coloured fill. I have chosen the coloured fill engraving with gold lettering. Although this is the more expensive option, it provides a quality finish as well as ease of maintenance.

### 3. Installation

- 3.1. All three notice boards can be installed by Abacus Construction at a total cost of £1,740. Although there are posts already in place at Tonedale and Priory, a scan should be carried out in these locations to ensure no services will be disturbed during the works. This quotation includes removal and disposal of the old timber boards and their concrete foundations with the new boards being installed into new concrete foundations.

### 4. Recommendations

It is recommended that the committee make a recommendation to Full Council that the notice boards are replaced as follows

Site	Specification	Price
<b>Tonedale</b>	2-bay, 4 x A4 Man-made Timber noticeboard with black magnetic board plus 2x post and straight header "TONEDALE" in engraved lettering using Times New Roman font filled with gold colour for contrast.	<b>£1,540.24</b>
<b>Priory</b>	2-bay, 4 x A4 Man-made Timber noticeboard with black magnetic board plus 2x post and straight header "PRIORY" in engraved lettering using Times New Roman font filled with gold colour for contrast.	<b>£1,524.04</b>

<b>Basins</b>	2x 2-bay, 9 x A4 Man-made Timber noticeboard with black magnetic board plus 2x posts and straight header "WELLINGTON BASINS" in engraved lettering using Times New Roman font filled with gold colour for contrast.	<b>£4,265.65</b>
<b>Installation</b>	To remove and dispose of 3 no. notice boards including arisings and existing concrete foundations. Install 3 no. notice boards with new concrete foundations.	<b>£1,470.00</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>£8,799.93</b>

## 5. Budget Considerations

- 5.1. The Tonedale and Priory boards (including installation = £4,044.28) to be funded from the Community Services & Priorities Budget which currently has a balance of £4,317.
- 5.2. Basins board (including installation = £4,755.65) to be funded from the Green Corridor budget line which currently has a balance of £20,000.
- 5.3. Installation costs to be divided appropriately between cost codes i.e. £490 per board which is included in the totals given in points 4.1 and 4.2 above.

Alice Kendall  
Deputy RFO  
4 November 2022





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Finish	Dark brown	✓
Glazing	4mm polycarbonate sheet	✓
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Mounting	Wall, post or railing-mounted	✓
Hinges	Stainless steel piano hinge	✓
Locking	Simple, robust lock with "easy-grip" key	✓
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Headers	Straight 95mm high with scalloped ends	✓
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	Plain engraved lettering	✓
	Engraved lettering with coloured fill	✓
	Magnetic (glazed bays only)	✓
Alternative display options	Ribbed letter-board to accept moulded plastic letters (glazed bays only)	✓
	Signwritten panel with computer-cut vinyl text	✓
	Digitally printed graphic/map panel	✓
	GRP encapsulated graphic/map panel	✓
Access	"T" Handle - turns standard lock into latch for public access	✓
Lighting	Optional LED lighting available for all models (glazed bays only)	✓
Dedication plate	Brass plate with engraved inscription (up to 50 characters)	✓

## Accessories

Mounting	Post kits - 1,2 or 3 posts	✓
	Railing kit	✓
Header	Coloured header available in 4 different colours	✓
Letter sets	Moulded plastic letters for use with ribbed letterboard	✓
Magnets	Magnetic pins and discs for use with magnetic back panels	✓
	"T" handle (converts standard lock into latch for key-free access)	✓
Access	Triangular lock insert (alternative to standard square insert)	✓
	Additional key	✓
Lighting	LED lighting kit (Glazed bays only)	✓

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## PLAY AREAS

*For Environment and Open Spaces November 2022*

### **1 Tonedale (Richards Close)**

The refurbishment at Tonedale is well underway. Most of the equipment is in situ. Unfortunately, one item was damaged in transit and a replacement is being sent. Once this arrives (and we have some drier weather) the path and safety surfacing can be laid.



### **2 Corner Close**

At the last meeting, it was recommended to Full Council that the Town Council take ownership of this area as the land is still owned by the developers. Since then, it has been reported to the Office, by SWT, that improvements will be made to this area using S106 monies from planning application 43/17/0028 (The Mount, 21 High Street, Wellington). The total received is £35,757.16 which will fund a roundabout, one pod swing and a multi-play unit. SWT have informed us that they own this play area and will therefore make the spend in accordance with the S106 agreement.

The ownership matter will be re-visited once the new Unitary Council is in place and discussions around the devolution of assets is re-opened.

### **3 Burchills Hill/Weavers Reach**

Taking ownership of this area from the Crown Estate has been passed to the Solicitors for discussions with the Crown's Solicitors.

### **4 General Condition of SWT Play Areas**

On 12 October, the Clerk, Deputy RFO, Councillors Booth and McGuffie met with Darren Hill (Open Spaces Manager at SWT) and Cllr Derek Perry (Portfolio holder for Parks at SWT) to visit several play areas in the Town. It was widely agreed that Wellington has an excellent overall play value across the Town. Although, some areas are tired and dated and require some works to bring them back to life as well as some better attention to general maintenance i.e. cutting back vegetation etc. Notes were taken back by Darren who also has a winter works programme in place which covers many items within these areas.

Alice Kendall  
Deputy RFO  
4 November 2022