

WOBURN SANDS TOWN COUNCIL

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Meeting of the Environment Committee on

Thursday 3rd April 2025 at 6.30 pm in the Committee Room, Memorial Hall

DRAFT Minutes

Actions

9/25	Present: Cllrs K Temple, W Green, D Hopkins, K Fisher, Clerk A Jordan	
10/25	Apologies: none	
11/25	To approve minutes from meeting of 6.30 pm 23 rd January 2025.	APPROVED
12/25	<p>Updates and progress reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Grounds Maintenance: Millstream Estate Services Limited are the new contractors for Woburn Sands and they started work here this week. The Clerk shared a report from Millstream on their first visit to Woburn Sands. The committee discussed planting. Clerk to meet with Millstream on Friday 04.04.25 to plan summer planting. b. Theft of lanterns on top of lampposts on Club Lane. WSTC is not covered by insurance. Clerk reported the theft to the police and contacted MKCC and Forde & McHugh regarding replacement lamps. c. Mowbray Green application for Land Registry. The deeds are with Barclays Bank, these are needed for the application. Clerk to speak to the solicitor to help locate the deeds with Barclays. d. SID for the High Street. Chairman suggested looking at average speed cameras and talking to Crimewave who have experience with SIDS. Clerk to arrange a meeting with Crimewave. e. Benches and planters. New benches are in place now, most planters have been installed over the last couple of days, the remainder to be installed tomorrow. Caretaker has already planted the new ones. Clerk to arrange with Millstream the whole planting for the High Street and town. f. VE Day 80th Anniversary commemoration at the War Memorial. Clerk has provisionally arranged a simple event with Revd Diana for the council to consider. To be recommend to full council. Cllr D Hopkins informed the committee of Wavendon's plans and anyone is welcome to join them too. g. CCTV. See Parish Forum minutes re Crimewave info on SID & CCTV. Cllr D Hopkins recommend inviting Crime Commissioner Matthew Barber to a full council meeting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Clerk to speak to the solicitor d. Clerk to contact Crimewave g. Clerk to send invite to C C Matthew Barber
13/25	<p>Parklands:</p> <p>Cllr W Green met with a Parks Trust representative and has been corresponding with MKCC Officers on the care of the ponds at Parklands. A report was sent out by Cllr W Green to the council and this issue was discussed at the March council meeting. Cllr Green continues to liaise with MKCC, and</p>	<p>Cllr W Green to continue to contact local fishing clubs</p>

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	<p>Phil Snell (Strategic Landscape and Countryside Manager) has agreed Cllr W Green can approach Milton Keynes Angling Clubs to ask if they would take on managing the fishing. Cllr D Hopkins is to speak to MKCC to see what can be done regarding protecting the ponds and controlling the fishing. Cllr W Green is interested in resurrecting the Friends of Parklands, she agreed to do this as a resident.</p>	
14/25	<p>Emergency Flooding Group meeting: Feedback from Cllr K Temple and Cllr D Hopkins from the meeting of 20th February 2025. Several actions were identified by the group but there is a lack of volunteers to carry out actions, residents are reluctant to have their homes identified as being at risk of flooding. Woburn Sands could produce an Emergency Flood Plan for the town, this would cover all emergencies, not just flooding. WSTC were asked if they will they establish a liaison team. Councillors advised the meeting that this is outside Town Council's remit and needs to be organised by residents. WSTC needs an emergency procedure policy (not just flooding). AHPC contracted a private company to unblock drains.</p>	<p>Clerk to ask AHPC if WSTC can view this report</p>
15/25	<p>Edgewick Farm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following a routine survey before just Christmas identified tree works will be booked in for later this year. • A resident has offered to donate to complete the footpath boardwalk alongside Edgewick Farm on the Central Beds border (footpaths 8 and 14). The Clerk has contacted MKCC Rights of Way Officer James who will look into the costs of having contractors complete the work. 	
16/25	<p>Date of next meeting: Thursday 3rd July 6.30pm.</p>	

Meeting ended: 7.30pm

Signed:

Date: