

**CARTERTON TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
AMENITIES AND ECONOMIC REGENERATION COMMITTEE  
HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY 22 JUNE 2021  
COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM**

Present: Cllr J Bull (ex-officio)  
Cllr R Crapper  
Cllr P Handley  
Cllr N Leverton (ex-officio)  
Cllr L Little  
Cllr M McBride  
Cllr D Wesson (from Item 7)  
Cllr K Wood

Apologies: None

Officers: Ron Spurs – Town Clerk

**1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Nominations were received for Cllr Little and Cllr McBride. A vote was taken and Cllr McBride was elected as Chairman of the Committee for the year 2021-2022.

**2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

Nominations were received for Cllr Wesson and Cllr Wood. A vote was taken and Cllr Wood was elected as Vice Chairman of the Committee for the year 2021-2022.

**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**4 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 May 2021, previously circulated to the Committee, were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Cllr Little abstained.

**5 ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC TO RAISE MATTERS**

There were no members of the public present.

**6 BRIDLE PATH – KILKENNY LANE TO SHILTON**

A letter had been received from the Rotary Club of Witney who, as part of the focus on improving the environment to reduce global warming and improve quality of life, are looking into the feasibility of providing a wheelchair accessible path along the bridle path from Kilkenny Lane to Shilton. The eastern end, adjacent to the Football Club, is on Council land. The new path would consist of a 2m wide hard surface that would allow year-round access for walkers, wheelchair users etc. Having sought advice from OCC and Cotswold AONB, the Club now seek the permission of the Council as landowner for the project to commence.

It was understood that the path would be a hard compacted surface rather than tarmac. A concern was expressed about sharing the space with horses that use the bridle path and the path would need to be wide enough to pass safely.

The Committee generally supported the project, particularly with the aim of making the countryside accessible for all members of society to enjoy.

## 7 WELCOME TO CARTERTON SIGNS

The Committee was asked to consider some options regarding relocating the two white gates that were installed in Monahan Way in 2016 to mark the entrance to Carterton. Both sides of Monahan Way are in Brize Norton Parish with the boundary running along the hedge on the Shilton Park side of the road. The highway is controlled by Oxfordshire County Council who had not raised any objections to the Town Council installing the gates.

Cllr Leverton had met with members of Brize Norton Parish Council to discuss signage, who indicated that their intention was to have signs saying 'Welcome to Brize Norton' on both sides of the road. He suggested a collaboration along the lines of 'Welcome to Brize Norton and Carterton' and they would take this back to their Council for further consideration.

The Committee considered various options, including removing the two white gates, moving them to Trefoil Way and Bluebell Way or to install a new large modern sign at the junction of Broadshires and Monahan Way welcoming visitors to Carterton. This sign could direct visitors to the town centre shops, parking, industrial estates etc.

A final decision would be deferred until Brize Norton Parish Council had discussed the matter further.

## 8 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

RESOLVED that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting. Confidential item follows.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

## 9 BUS SHELTERS – MONAHAN WAY

Confidential item.

The Meeting ended at 7.25 pm.

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Chairman