

WILLITON WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION GROUND

Charity No: 211212

Minutes of the Trustee Extraordinary Meeting held on Monday 29th November 2021
at the rising of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting, in the Brendon Room, Williton Pavilion
Attendees:

Councillors: Payne (Chairman), Aldridge, Cook, Denton, Hooper, Johnson, Naylor, Nye, Peeks
and White,
Other: Mrs M Francis
Public: None
Press: None

Apologies:
Councillors: Howes
Public: None

21/140 The Chairman advised that the whole meeting would be recorded, transcribed and retained.

21/141 Apologies

As noted above

21/142 Declarations of Interest

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Hooper	All	Personal	Informed Meeting

21/143 To pass a resolution to exclude the Press and Public from the remainder of the meeting due to Commercial Sensitivity

Proposed Cllr Peeks, seconded by Cllr Cook and unanimously **resolved**.

21/144 To receive information from Williton Parish Council regarding ownership of land known as the Amenity Area and to consider the way forward

The Chairman advised members of the following:

- A letter had been received from Williton Parish Council giving permission for WWMRG to fulfil their contract at their own responsibility, including being responsible for financial obligations.
- S106 funding had been applied for and signed stating that WWMRG owned the Amenity Area land. When deeds were requested to discuss the boundary, it was noted the Land Registry documents stated the land is owned by Williton Parish Council.
- WWMRG had contracted approximately £19,000.00 from S106 funding. If SWT Council withdrew funding stating it had been applied for incorrectly, then Councillors needed to be aware of the possible financial implications.
- After a proposal from Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Cook, it was **resolved**, with one abstention, that the Clerk would contact SWT Council to advise them of the situation and explain what had been uncovered.

A discussion took place where it was noted the worst-case scenario needed to be considered.

After a proposal from Cllr Peeks, seconded by Cllr Johnson, it was unanimously **resolved** to continue with the meeting to discuss the possible implications and the way forward.

A discussion took place where it was agreed definite specialist legal advice was required, to give definitive answers, rather than relying on recollection.

After a proposal from Cllr Denton, seconded by Cllr Naylor, it was unanimously **resolved** to seek specialist advice. Maitland Walker as the current solicitors would be asked if they can advise or give advice on which solicitor to contact.

It was unanimously **resolved** to give permission for the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk to carry out investigations and obtain legal advice, proposed Cllr Cook, seconded Cllr Naylor. Motion carried

A discussion took place whether to continue with the clearing of the Amenity Area, currently being undertaken.

After a proposal from Cllr Hooper, seconded by Cllr White, it was **resolved** with eight in favour, one against and one abstention, to continue with the works and fund from reserves in necessary.

Cllr Peek advised a neighbour had requested some stone from the Amenity Area, however, it was resolved until ownership was established, permission would be denied and no stone was to be removed.

Meeting closed 8.24 pm

Signed as a true and correct record ... Cllr Payne Dated ... 31st January 2022