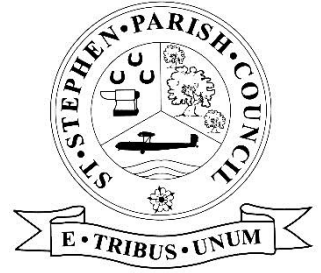


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Present

Cllr John Bell (Chair)
Cllr Ian Getley

Cllr John Parker
John Roy

Also present:

Sue Campbell taking minutes
Dave Williams
Dianah Ellis (PELG)

Minutes of the **Trees and Woodlands Committee meeting** held on **THURSDAY 28 JUNE 2018**
at **2.30pm**

Venue: **THE PARISH CENTRE, STATION ROAD, BRICKET WOOD, ST ALBANS, AL2 3PJ**

1819/TW/001 Election of the Chairman

RESOLVED: proposed Cllr Parker, seconded Cllr Getley, unanimous, that Cllr Bell serve as Chairman for the coming year.

1819/TW/002 To receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Hurford and Whittaker.

1819/TW/003 To receive declarations of interest and dispensations

a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda
None.

b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests
None.

c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
None.

1819/TW/004 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2017

CONFIRMED: proposed Cllr Bell, seconded Cllr Parker, unanimous.

1819/TW/005 Public Participation – to receive petitions, comments and questions

None.

1819/TW/006 Parish Environmental Liaison Group: Reports & Planning

a) Bricket Wood Common

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018
The Countryside Management Service has continued work on the pond, protecting orchids and general woodland management.
- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

To be agreed at next Bricket Wood Common meeting.

Cattle grazing to continue.

Councillors and members of the public will be invited to attend the annual inspection, date to be arranged.

b) Hanstead Wood

Since the last meeting, Linden Homes has brought the whole site and remain non-committal about the impact on the site going forward. They have requested a meeting with the Council and have been invited to attend the July Planning Committee Meeting. To enable access during the development and after, Linden Homes have given permission to improve the pathway.

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

The woods are being kept tidy and safe with areas screened off where lopping and felling work needed.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

Thinning of wood to continue.

c) How Wood

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

No report. Management Service for future meetings.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

No report.

ACTION: Cllr Bell to request report from the Countryside

1819/TW/007 Management: Reports & Planning

a) Blackgreen Wood

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

Tree clearance has continued at the Park Street Lane entrance. A broken seat has been repaired.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

Continue to clear holly at the entrance. Shrubs to be cleared at the Park Street Lane bridge.

b) Greenwood Park

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

Following a safety report 3 trees in Tippendell Wood are to be removed. Dave Williams is due to meet with Maidencroft next week to confirm costings to include traffic management.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

Covered under item 1819/TW/007 d).

c) St Julian's Wood

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

Nettles were cleared from around the new saplings.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

Work is due in the coppiced areas to continue to thin the trees and woodlands to allow light to re-generate growth. General clearance and tidying-up work to be done.

Removal of leaders on pollarded trees due.

d) Greenwood Park Meadow

- Work completed Winter/Spring 2018

No report.

- Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019

Following approval at Full Council for the Butterfly Conservation

Society to create a chalk hill to attract some rarer varieties. The plans submitted require more space than is appropriate for the area defined.
ACTION: Cllr Bell to clarify the extent of the bank and to contact DEFRA regarding stewardship.

- e) Park Street Woodland Embankment
 - Work completed Winter/Spring 2018
No report.
 - Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019
A path is being created to connect the embankment at the Watling Street end with the Hide Lane end.

- f) Park Street Recreation Ground
 - Work completed Winter/Spring 2018
Most of the trees that were planted are thriving, one has died and one has been stolen.
The tree planting along the boundary
 - Work schedule Summer/Autumn/Winter 2018/2019
No report.

1819/TW/008 To note the 2018/2019 Budget
No spend anticipated.

The meeting closed at 3.30pm

Chairman

Date