ILMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

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A meeting of the **OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE** will be held on **Tuesday, 23 May 2017** in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster at 7.30pm.

The public are welcome to attend this meeting. Members of the public are invited to ask questions or raise issues relevant to the work of the Council. The overall time available for this session is restricted to 15 minutes unless the Chair decides otherwise. Individual speakers are restricted to 3 minutes and are asked not to repeat points that have been made previously. It is helpful if potential contributors can make themselves known to the Town Clerk before the meeting so that the session can be programmed effectively.

Public participation is not part of the formal meeting of the Council however a note will be made of matters raised and recorded at the start of the minutes of the meeting.

The business to be transacted at the meeting is outlined on the Agenda below. Any reports listed as "to follow" will be made available as soon as possible, and in any event at least 30 minutes before the start of the meeting.

Yours sincerely

Joy Norris Town Clerk

OPEN SPACES AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.

To receive apologies for absence from Councillors unable to attend the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest.

To receive any declarations from Councillors and Officers of interests in respect of matters to be considered at this meeting, together with an appropriate statement regarding the nature of interest.

3. Minutes.

a) To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2017 as a correct record (to follow).

b) To consider the action list relating to the Open Spaces committee (to follow).

4. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman will make announcements relevant to the Committee.

5. Police Report

This agenda item provided an opportunity for the Police to report on any matters relevant to policing in Ilminster.

6. Request to use the Wharf Lane Recreation Ground for Ilminster Midsummer Experience

To consider a request from Experience Ilminster to use the Wharf Lane Recreation Ground for activities connected with the Midsummer Experience.

7. Senior Open Spaces Warden's Report.

To receive the report from the Senior Open Spaces Warden about recent open spaces activities in Ilminster (to follow).

8. Cemetery - Plot Maintenance Service

To consider charges for providing a plot maintenance service; this item was deferred from the meeting on 11 April 2017 to enable further discussion on pricing to take place between the Mayor, Chair and Vice-Chair of the Open Spaces Committee and the Town Clerk.

9. Summer Planting

To consider the quotations for the plants for the summer planting schemes.

10. Vibration Testing of Open Spaces Equipment

To consider accepting a quotation for the vibration testing of Open Spaces Equipment.

11. Financial Information

To receive information about the Open Spaces Committee, income, expenditure and commitments.

12. Dog Survey

To consider the next steps following the closure of the dog survey consultation.

13. Department for Communities and Local Government "Running Free" Consultation To consider the Town Council's response, if any, to the Running Free consultation.