

WOKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL



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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **AMENITIES COMMITTEE** at **HOWARD PALMER GARDENS (Park Inspection)** at **7.00pm** and onto the **COUNCIL CHAMBER** in the **TOWN HALL, WOKINGHAM** on **TUESDAY 3rd JULY 2007** for the purpose of resolving upon the subjects and matters set out in the Agenda hereunder.

Yours sincerely

K J Abnett
Town Clerk
Contact Officer – Hilary Bamberger, Amenities Officer (Direct Line 0118 974 0886)

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **PARK INSPECTION OF HOWARD PALMER GARDENS**
Amenities meeting to continue in the Council Chamber after completion of park inspection.
3. **MEMBERS INTERESTS**
To receive any declaration of interests from Members on the business about to be transacted.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
The Chairman to answer any questions raised by the public.
5. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
 - i) **30 April 2007 – Market Working Party**
To receive and adopt the Minutes of the Market Working Party held on 30 April 2007 (pages 12287 to 12289 copy attached).

ii) 22 May 2007

To receive and confirm as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 22 May 2007 (pages 12306 to 12316 copy attached).

iii) 4 June 2007 – Skatepark, King George V playing field and Langborough Recreation Ground

To receive and confirm as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Parks Inspection held on 4 June 2007 (pages 12323 to 12326 copy attached).

iv) 5 June 2007 – Joel Park and Holt Copse

To receive and confirm as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Parks Inspection held on 5 June 2007 (pages 12327 to 12329 copy attached).

v) 6 June 2007 – Leslie Sears Playing Field, Viking Field and Redlands Farm Park

To receive and confirm as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Parks Inspection held on 6 June 2007 (pages 12330 to 12332 copy attached).

vi) 11 June 2007 - Allotments

To receive and confirm as a true and correct record the Minutes of the Allotments Inspection held on 11 June 2007 (pages 12333 to 12334 copy attached).

vii) 21 June 2007 – Extraordinary Amenities Meeting

To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Extraordinary Amenities Meeting held on 21 June 2007 (pages 12357 to 12358 copy attached)

6. PLAY EQUIPMENT WORKING PARTY

To discuss membership, scope, objective, timeframe and overall budget considerations for formulating a working party.

7. PLAY AREA SAFETY INSPECTION REPORT

To receive a report from ROSPA dated 24th April 2007 (copy attached)

8. SUNNY SATURDAYS

To note that the following councillors have agreed to ‘meet and greet’:

14 July	Cllr DC Carver
21 July	Cllr BJ Willis
28 July	Cllr K Miller
4 August	Cllr CC Chessell
11 August	Cllr EML Hudson
18 August	Cllr BW Bench
25 August	Cllr PM Lucey
1 September	Cllr BJ Willis

9. CHEWING GUM REMOVAL

To receive and consider a report from the Town Centre Manager 2/2007 dated 29th May 2007 (copy attached).

10. PIGEON CONTROL

To receive and consider a letter dated 24th May 2007 from Ms Boyed (copy attached).

11. STREET TRADING IN WOKINGHAM

To receive and consider a document from the Senior Licensing Officer at WBC received 25th May 2007 (copy attached)

12. LIONS CLUB MAY FAYRE

To receive and consider a request from the Lions Club of Wokingham for the use of Howard Palmer Gardens for the siting of the May Fayre in future years (copy of email dated 14 June 2007 attached)

13. **POPLAR TREES AT JOEL PARK (REAR OF MARTINS DRIVE)**
To receive and consider a report with regards to the necessary removal of poplar trees.
14. **CAPITAL PROJECTS PROVISION 2009-2012**
To discuss any requirements for capital projects for the financial period 2009-2012.
15. **BUDGET REPORT 2007/2008**
To receive and consider budget reports for the first quarter of the financial year 2007/2008 (please note these do not include income for June 2007. RFO will submit at meeting)
16. **AGENDAS AND MINUTES ON THE COUNCIL'S WEBSITE**
To inform and advise the Amenities Committee of a request received by a former councillor (copy attached).
17. **SECTION 106**
To consider any project(s) under the remit of the Committee that may be suitable for Section 106 funding.
18. **WOODCRAFT FOLK GROUP**
To receive and consider a request from the Woodcraft Folk Group for reduced hire rates at Woosehill Community Hall (letter dated 24 June 2007, copy attached. Additional information also attached)
19. **WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL'S PARISH & TOWN NEWS PUBLICATION**
For the committee to consider any item that is within its delegated area that may be suitable for publication in WBC's Town & Parish publication.
20. **OUTSTANDING MATTERS REPORTS JUNE 2007**
 - a) To receive and consider the Parks Outstanding Matters Report from the Amenities Officer (copy attached)
 - b) To receive and consider the Amenities Outstanding Matters Report from the Amenities Officer (copy attached)
21. **JOEL PARK FOOTPATH IMPROVEMENTS**
To receive and consider a report from the B&G Officer (dated 26 June 2007 Report 8/2007) outlining costs for the work.
22. **CAR PARK BARRIER AT REDLANDS PARK**
To discuss the requirement of a barrier at the entrance to the Park
23. **REPLACEMENT WTC SIGN AT LANGBOROUGH RECREATION GROUND**
To discuss the replacement of the WTC sign
24. **URGENT BUSINESS**

To: Amenities Committee

Cllrs: Mrs L Barnes, Mrs B W Bench, D C Carver, Mrs C C Chessell, C W Facey, P A Houldsworth, Mrs E M L Hudson, P M Lucey, J P McGhee-Sumner, Miss K Miller, S Odedra, and B J Willis

Backing Papers: Cllr D M King

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