

Marchwood Parish Council

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7th June 2021

To: Members of the Amenities Committee, remainder of the Council for information.

Dear Councillor, a meeting of the Amenities Committee will be held in the Pine Room, Marchwood Village Hall, on Monday 10th February 2020 at 7.30pm. You are summoned to attend.

Yours sincerely

Deputy Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence.**
2. **Public participation** - may speak for up to three minutes.
3. **Declarations of Interest.**
4. **Chairman's report**
5. **To elect a Vice Chairman for 2021/22**
6. **Previous minutes:** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 19th April 2021.
7. **AMF Supervisors Report:**
8. **Replacement of tree:** Adjacent to 45 Kingfisher Way – to receive a verbal report.
9. **Wild Flower Planting:** To receive a written report by Cllr Gary Wright (Appendix A)
10. **Request for reduction of two trees:** Report A
11. **Community Initiatives – To discuss the following:**
 - a) Litter picking
 - b) Wild Flowers
12. **Parish Council Amenities Committee priorities for 2021/22**
 - a) Healthy Walks around the Village

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Parish Council. Copies of items referred to in the agenda are available from the Parish Council office on request.

- Summer Groundsman started on the 4th May – Paul Fisher
- Grass cutting and strimming in full swing
- Plants and flowers planted at the Falklands ready for 8th June
- Orchard Trees producing flowers and fruit
- Wild flowers in the canals at Admiralty Quay – did a site visit with Cllr Wright
- Play Area at Admiralty Quay closed off for repair – due on the 14th June
- Football season now finished (still keeping pitch marked out)
- Some dog bins in need of repairing (old and rusted out)
- Small amount of fly tipping in Cork Lane/Cork field
- Broken glass at the skate park on a regular basis
- Graffiti on the Under 12's play area – cleaned off immediately
- Village News Delivered
- Litter improved since volunteers however still a lot of broken glass especially after the weekends. Dog fouling still an issue.

Wildflower Projects

Village Center Area

As per the images on the following page, the grass area opposite the Roebuck has been suggested by myself, Tony Lavington and Paul Fisher for a new Village wildflower area.

It is proposed that late August / September, the ground is scarified and seeded ready for next Spring.

At the time of writing, Paul Fisher is currently pricing up the seed for the area, I hope to have this information in time for the meeting on the 14th June. To hire a scarifier for a day would be approximately £80 should we decide to do this with powered equipment.

I have met with both school headteachers following the resolution of full council to form a schools liaison group. Both are keen to get involved with the project including potentially:

- Scattering the seed.
- Producing temporary signage once the seed has been sown (by way of laminated sheets). These could be attached to a temporary fence around the area to let people know what is happening.
- Visiting the site in the spring / summer to hopefully identify successful species that have grown.
- If the project is successful, there is potential to install a more permanent information board.

It is thought that getting school children involved will give them a sense of ownership of projects happening in their own village.



Admiralty Canals

Currently the ground staff are not strimming these areas to allow wildflowers to grow.

The plant species in flower at the moment are currently being identified by Paul Fisher. Again, I hope to have this list in time for the meeting on the 14th June.

It has been suggested that Marchwood Parish Council work with the Marchwood Conservation Volunteers to look after this habitat going forward to help it to thrive. An information board letting people know that the area has been designated for wildlife and what plant species can be spotted could also be considered here.

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14th June 2021

Amenities Committee

Report A

Request for permission to trim back two trees that are adjacent to my property but are now so large they are encroaching on light into the property, they over hang both front and rear gardens and are causing a bit of a nuisance.

I would like to cut back the trees and wanted to gain permission from the council as they are on the public footpath that runs between Ordnance Way and Maritime Avenue.

I live at 4 Wavecrest Close and the trees in question are creating a number of issues including clogging the brand-new guttering that we had installed during the gap in lockdown in 2020, generating huge mounds of leaves and debris in both my front and rear gardens and my concern is that they are also very close to touching the house.

My proposal is that I bear the cost of trimming back both trees to eliminate the problem from reoccurring.