

# Chudleigh Town Council

# **Environment Committee**

# Monday 11th November 2024

## Public Participation:

Mr Anderson spoke regarding the ownership of the boundary fence at The Gardens Play Park. He advised the committee that the boundary is a party fence and therefore the ownership would be shared by himself and the Council. **Action point 1.**

## In attendance:

Councillors Hares (chair), McCormick, Webb, Klinkenberg, Kirby, Bowling, Powell. Also, in attendance was co-opted members Mike Moyse, Tess Frost and James Bushell, one member of the public and Amii Shelley (Town Clerk)

## Apologies:

Apologies received from Councillor’s Hadley and Macnair.

## Declaration of members’ interests:

None.

## Urgent matters brought forward by the Chairman:

Nothing to report.

##  Progress on action points from the meeting on 23rd September 2024:

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| **Action Point** | **Action Required** | **Update 11/11/24** |
| **1** | Propose the inclusion in next year’s budget for a new picnic bench at Millstream Meadow to Full Council | Completed  |
| **2** | Include a bench and base in the budget for 2025-26 | Completed |
| **3** | Report the overgrown vegetation off Exeter Road, next to Mistletoe View | Completed |
| **4** | Remove the sign from the sensory garden | Carried Forward **Action point 2** |
| **5** | Obtain a price to reduce the height of the ivy on the wall | Completed  |
| **6** | Investigate the possibility of creating a second butterfly friendly area within the park | Carried forward **Action point 3** |
| **7** | Create a playpark maintenance plan | Carried forward **Action point 4**  |
| **8** | MUGA entrance gates need to new fixings so the gates could be secured once open | Completed |
| **9** | The weeds and overgrown vegetation needs to be cleared within the Council’s boundary at the Gardens Park | Completed |
| **10** | Secure documents to confirm the boundary of the Gardens Park | Completed |
| **11** | Arrange the weed spraying within the 30mph limits for next year (twice) | Completed |
| **12** | Arrange a site visit at Millstream Meadow to look at overgrown trees/vegetation | Completed |
| **13** | Arrange for the vacant allotment plots to be strimmed. | Completed |
| **14** | Propose to TH & F the inclusion for cemetery hedge maintenance in the budget for 2025-2026 | Completed |
| **15** | Arrange for the stone seating inside the cemetery gates needs to be repaired | Carried forward **Action point 5** |

## Bat Garden:

Nothing to report.

## Footpaths:

Mike Moyse advised councillors that the chippings had now been spread along footpath 1.

## Cider Press:

Nothing to report.

## Two Oaks:

Nothing to report.

## Millstream Meadow:

1. The playpark refurbishment is due to complete by the end of November.
2. The refurbishment of the Millstream Meadow footbridge has been delayed, we are awaiting an updated quotation.

## Town Centre Enhancement:

The UKSPF grant application was successful. All works and associated invoices need to be completed and settled by the end of February 2025.

## Culver Green:

Councillor’s are still considering the best way to proceed with the additional wild flower planting.

## Fore Street Park:

The equipment for remedial works is expected to be delivered next week. Councillor’s are willing to assist in completing the repairs. **Action point 6.**

## The Gardens:

Nothing to report.

## Highways Issues:

## Correspondence and Clerk’s report:

Correspondence was received from the Baptist Church, who would like to organise to litter pick and weed Culver Green in December. Councillors suggested that Millstream Meadow may be better suited for this activity. **Action point 7.**

## Allotments:

An allotment forum meeting is due to take place on 15th November.

## Cemetery:

Nothing to report.

## Date and time of next meeting: 13th January 2025.

## Meeting closed at 8:17pm

## Action Points

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| **Action Point** | **Action Required** | **Responsibility** |
| **1** | Ascertain ownership of The Gardens Park boundary fence. Include on the agenda for Full Council in December.  | Assistant Clerk |
| **2** | Remove the sign from the sensory garden | Assistant Clerk |
| **3** | Investigate the possibility of creating a second butterfly friendly area within the park | Assistant Clerk |
| **4** | Create a playpark maintenance plan | Assistant Clerk |
| **5** | Arrange for the stone seating inside the cemetery gates needs to be repaired | Assistant Clerk |
| **6** | Contact Insurance company regarding “competent person” for play park repairs | Assistant Clerk |
| **7** | Contact the Baptist Church and suggest Millstream Meadow for the Goodwill Project | Assistant Clerk |