

DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

25th October 2022

At a meeting of the **Recreation Committee** held on **Tuesday 25th October 2022** upon the rising of the Heritage and Open Spaces Committee meeting.

Present: Councillors K Cogman (Vice-Chairman), C Bunting, H Clarke (substitute for a Brooks), P Duigan, L Monument and H King.

Also in attendance: County Councillor W Richmond, Daryl Spencer (Dereham Saints), Town Clerk Tony Needham and Deputy Town Clerk Jillian Barron.

1. **To receive apologies for absence.**
Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Brooks and P Morton.
2. **Declaration of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
3. **To consider giving an in-principal approval for changing facilities on Toftwood Recreation Ground to be replaced with a permanent structure.**

The committee recommended giving an in-principal approval for changing facilities on Toftwood Recreation Ground to be replaced with a more permanent structure.

4. **Update on Persimmons Homes outdoor playing space.**
The outdoor playing space and other open spaces (excluding any surface water drainage features) are due to be transferred to the Town Council. The Council had concerns regarding the layout of the play area, the fencing around the play area and the inclusion of a pond. After discussions with developer and the LPA, it has been agreed to remove the pond and fence the play area around the perimeter, maximising the area available for play. The final scheme was presented to Councillors.
5. **To consider actions to be taken to protect any Breckland Council owned open space in the Breckland Bridge business plan.**

The committee recommended that the Town Council apply to the Local Planning Authority for pieces of land to be considered at risk and in need of protection as Local Green Spaces (LGS) in the Local Plan.
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6. **To consider actions that can be taken to protect the Breckland Council owned open space at Gilpin's Ride (Cllr Clarke)**

The committee recommended that Gilpin's Ride be included in the application to the Local Planning Authority as a Local Green Space.

Chairman