

restricted therefore forcing drivers to park on road.
Mini-island at Tithebarn Road was reported as being damaged/deteriorating
Resident updated on the successful defibrillator event.

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2023/04 To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members

Cllr S Murphy: in relation to road bumps

Cllr J Shawcross: in relation to his application re work to neighbouring trees (under TPO).

Resolved: to note the above Declarations of Interest

2023/05 * Policing of the Area

The police were not in attendance this evening but the following crime report had been received: 1 April to 12 May: No domestic burglaries, No Theft from Motor Vehicle. no Theft of Motor Vehicle, No antisocial behaviour calls.

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2023/06 *Chairman, Councillors and Clerk's Updates

All the Clerks Update related to Agenda items

Cllr E Murphy updated on Coronation event ran by FoSG, very successful and at low/no cost to those coming along, picnic was great and enjoyed by all.

Birch Grove open space work is coming along – fruit trees are doing well. Approval on installing kitchen has been received and work has started on the pre-planning. Cllr E Murphy to liaise with Carole over requesting hall users removing their equipment prior to the installation.

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2023/07 *Ward Councillor Update

There was no update given at the meeting

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2023/08 To Note the Decisions of the Planning Committee

During the past month, the following Applications/Decisions had been received. No comments have yet been submitted by Planning Committee – an extension to the deadline for submissions re P/2023/0250/FUL had been granted until Monday 22 May. Members would consider comments made in the letter read out during Public Participation.

Applications:

P/2023/0265/FUL Garswood And Simms Road Labour Club 428 Garswood Road Demolition of existing timber framed storage shed and erection of car garage (Sui Generis) with associated works.

P/2023/0250/FUL Stag Hotel, Change of use of existing Public House (Sui Generis) to Convenience Store (Class E(a)) with wraparound extension and associated works

P/2023/0274/HHFP Single storey flat roof side extension. 41 Birch Grove,

P/2023/0276/FUL Erection of single storey side extension to create main entrance.

Retractable canopy with new external seating area to front of the building. New 1.45m boundary wall to enclose external seating area. For: Full Planning Application Location: Garswood And Simms Road Labour Club , 428 Garswood Road

P/2023/0287/TPO Buchanan House 165 Booths Brow Road WN4 0NG Works to 3no Sycamore trees, and fell 1no Ash tree covered by a Tree Preservation Order. It was commented that this application had been submitted by Cllr Shawcross and is related to neighbouring trees (Holy Trinity). Planning Committee would not normally comment on applications relating to TPO and do not feel comment should be submitted for this one.

Decisions:

P/2023/0193/HHP 43 Thornhill Road Prior approval for a single storey rear extension,

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projecting 4m from the rear, 3.85m in height and 2.75m at the eaves. APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED

P/2023/0152/HHFP 33 Station Road Ashton In Makerfield St Helens WN4 0SA Erection of front porch with single storey rear extension following partial demolition of the existing rear extension and dormer to rear. and rendering of front and rear elevations of original dwelling. GRANTED

Resolved: to receive and note the above

2023/09 To Pass Accounts for Payment

Members were requested to consider the Schedule of Accounts for payment (see Appendix A) totalling £4806.23 (no S137 payments).

Resolved: to pass Accounts for Payment totalling £4806.23 (no S137 payments)

2023/10 Approval of AGAR Part 1

Members had received a copy of the annual internal audit report and also a copy of the Annual Governance Statement.

Resolved:

To note the annual internal audit report for 2022/23

To approve the Annual Governance Statement for 2022/23

2023/11 Approval of AGAR Part 2

Members had received a copy of the signed (by the Clerk) Accounting Statements for 2022/23 plus supporting information to consider.

Resolved:

To approve the Accounting Statements for 2022/23

To ensure the Accounting Statements are signed/dated by the Chairman

2023/12 To Consider resolutions passed at the Annual Parish Meeting

Details of the above were considered and it was proposed just one item be deferred for full Council resolution at a future Meeting when additional information is available relating to a request for a pathway to be installed around the periphery of Birch Grove Playing Fields. Updates on other resolutions were given: Clerk is liaising with Planning over issues raised re use of greenbelt (Arch Lane); Clerk has written to LCR Transport re 'tap on' machines to record passengers using Garswood Station, the long awaited ramps plus reference to 'Harrington Humps'; There is no funding available via Ward Councillor CIF for the request for solar lighting at the MUGA; the remembrance bench proposal-the one mentioned in Earlestown was part of a larger memorial under separate funding – again there is no Ward Councillor CIF funding available for this; official request is awaited by Parish Council re funding to replant the planters in our area-in the meantime some of the Chairman's Allowance has been donated to FoSG; a request for St Helens to clear the graffiti on the Welcome to Seneley Green sign at the motorway bridge has been submitted; the Clerk updated in relation to reported weedkilling and mowing at Downall Green Common – only specific weed killing had taken place and only selective mowing so there should be no impact on planting there.

Resolved

To defer the pathway request for Birch Grove Playing Fields to the next meeting

To receive and note updates on other resolutions from the Annual Parish Meeting

2023/13 Miners Memorial

Cllr Shawcross reported progress had slowed over winter but the frame/lid/sleepers and cart are all ready for installation. Garswood Gates will install sleepers. A void has been left for children's time capsules. It will be completed in the summer but will be covered prior to the official unveiling.

Resolved: to receive and note the update

2023/14 Health & Wellbeing Working Group Update

No meetings had taken place.

Resolved: to note the above)

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- 2023/15 Estates Working Group**
 The Clerk updated on the latest revision of leased land charges; the additional items removed from the schedule were the cost for servicing bins and maintenance charges for the MUGA bringing it down to £8500.18. It was proposed to accept the charges but to request a phased introduction over three years.
 The Clerk also updated on a grant available from Football Foundation in relation to football pitch improvement
Resolved
To agree the revised Leased Land Charges and to request a phased introduction over three years
To apply for the grant from the Football Foundation
- 2023/16 Public Transport Working Group**
 No meetings had taken place.
Resolved: to note the above
- 2023/17 Communications Working Group**
 The Clerk commented she is hoping to put together the newsletter over the next two/three weeks and if Members wish to submit any articles to send them to her as soon as possible. A comment to include a request for bulbs/bedding plants was made
Resolved: to note the above
- 2023/18 Events Working Group**
 No meetings had taken place.
Resolved: to note the above
- 20219 To Consider publishing Draft Minutes Prior to the Meeting at which they are Approved**
 Members considered a request for draft Minutes to be published prior to the meeting at which they are approved. Concern was raised over any error in draft minutes being perceived as 'true' prior to formal approval but it was proposed to agree to the request.
Resolved: to publish Draft Minutes as soon as possible after each meeting

APPENDIX A - SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

	TOTAL
23016 British Gas Lite CH elec	472.20
23017 HMRC PAYE	202.35
23018 Smartest Energy	13.2
23019 Clerk May Salary	1280.68
23020 Caretaker PH & CH - May Salary	1053.53
23021 Chairman's Donation to FoSG	46.15
23022 SMART Pension	427.05
23023 Water Plus CH	415.84
23024 Sports Attendant - salary May 23	388.37
23025 Highfield Electrical - replace faulty emerg lights-LED: changing rooms, main hall, mens wc.	345.00
23026 St Helens Council - herbicide 2022/23 both halls x 4	130.42
23027 02-PC mobile phone (annual increase)	31.44
23028 A Boyle, exp reclaim – keys	18.00

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