

# ILMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

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A meeting of the **OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE** will take place on **Tuesday 29 March 2016** at 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster.

The public are welcome to attend this meeting. Members of the public are invited to ask questions or raise issues relevant to the work of the Council. The overall time available for this session is restricted to 15 minutes unless the Chair decides otherwise. Individual speakers are restricted to 3 minutes and are asked not to repeat points that have been made previously. It is helpful if potential contributors can make themselves known to the Town Clerk before the meeting so that the session can be programmed effectively.

Public participation is not part of the formal meeting of the Council however a note will be made of matters raised and recorded at the start of the minutes of the meeting.

The Agenda for the meeting is given below. Please contact the Town Council Office if you would like a copy of any of the reports.

Joy Norris  
Town Clerk

## OPEN SPACES AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence.**  
To receive apologies for absence from Councillors unable to attend the meeting.
2. **Declarations of Interest.**  
To receive any declarations from Councillors and Officers of interests in respect of matters to be considered at this meeting, together with an appropriate statement regarding the nature of interest.
3. **Minutes.**
  - A) To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16 February 2016 as a correct record. (Attached)
  - B) To consider the action list relating to the Open Spaces committee. (Attached)
4. **Police Report**  
This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Police to report on any matters relevant to policing in Ilminster.

**5. Wardens Report.**

To receive the report from the Senior Open Spaces Warden about recent open spaces activities in Ilminster. (To follow)

**6. Skatepark**

- A) To receive an update from the Chair of the Play and Paths Sub Group about investigations regarding the surfaces of the equipment and the skatepark area and the implications for the work to skatepark module of the sketch design masterplan
- B) To consider any quotations and / or costings received for work to the skatepark equipment, general surface or implementation of the sketch design masterplan for the skate park module

**7. Purchase of A Pressure Washer**

To consider the purchase of a pressure washer for the Open Spaces Team at a cost of approx £765.00.

The Open Spaces Team use a pressure washer to clean various items of grounds maintenance equipment and areas such as the path around the toilet block. The Senior Open Spaces Warden has researched various machines and believes that the Cobra Cold Water Petrol Engine Pressure Washer is the make / model that best suits the town Council's requirements; A leaflet about the machine is attached.

**8. Sign Posts and Information Boards for Herne Hill**

To consider the provision of sign posts and information boards for Herne Hill.

**9. Request to Run a Giant Water Slide In Britten's Field**

To consider the request, detailed below, from Ilminster Town Football Club.

*"On Saturday 9th July Ilminster Town Football Club would like permission to run a giant water slide down the slope in Britten's Field that is used for sledging. The slide is similar to the one that Chard did last year through the town centre.*

*We will be using a professional events company that have all the necessary insurance and equipment to host this event.*

*We will ensure that as a football club we have the appropriate public liability insurance, risk assessments and licences in place as we did with the bonfire night.*

*The event would run all day to ensure we are able to let as many people as possible have an opportunity to do the slide.*

*We hope this will be a great fun family day for the community of Ilminster like our bonfire night was."*