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Duston Parish Council Duston Community Centre Pendle Road Duston Northampton NN5 6DT

### **Environment Committee**

Cllrs Enright-King, Ennis-Clark, Ingram, Liddon, Craven, Dickinson

13th September 2024

Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Environment Committee to be held at Duston Community Centre on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024 commencing at 7.00pm for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Issued by:

**Gary Youens** 

Parish Clerk, Duston Parish Council

### **AGENDA**

EC31/24. To receive apologies for absence

EC32/24. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 (APPENDIX A)

EC33/24. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda (Members should disclose any interests in the business to be discussed and are reminded that the disclosure of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting room during the transaction of that item of business).

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 **EC34/24.** Public Participation Session (Persons wishing to address the committee on an agenda item may register their intention to do so by telephone or email by 12 noon on the day of the meeting and may speak for a maximum of 3 minutes).

### EC35/24. Timken Estate Responsibilities

• To note the approximate division of responsibilities on Timken Estate (APPENDIX B)

### EC36/24. Staggered Barriers on Timken Estate

- a) To discuss suggestions for barriers to slow down illegal e-scooters, voi scooters and motorbikes on the Timken Estate
- b) To consider putting in a request to WNC Highways for installation of staggered barriers

### EC37/24. Parking at Junctions Signage

 To discuss whether to purchase some more signs and if so whether to keep the same wording.

### EC38/24. Pavement Parking

 To discuss the problem of pavement in Duston and whether anything can be done Proposed by Cllr lain Liddon

### EC39/24. Police Advice Surgery

To note the neighbourhood Policing Team have a public advice surgery on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>
 September 2024 1pm – 3pm Duston Library.

### EC40/24. Street Wardens

 To discuss how Duston Parish Council could be involved in the Northamptonshire Police street watch scheme (APPENDIX C)
 Proposed by Cllr Enright-King

### EC41/24. Litter Bin on Port Road

Discuss a new request for a litter bin on Port Road.

### EC42/24. Soakway on Mendip Park and Errington Park

To discuss after previous contractor has ceased trading

### EC43/24. Clipston Way

 To agree to keep the fence between Hopping Hill and Clipston Way now it is in Duston Parish Council ownership.

### EC44/24. Park Signage

To note the wording for signage about vehicles in DPC parks (APPENDIX D)



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### <u>Environment Committee Minutes</u> <u>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 7pm</u>

Chair: Cllr P Enright-King

**Councilors Present:** 

Cllrs Craven, Dickenson, Ennis-Clark, Ingram, Liddon

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gary Youens – Clerk

EC17/24. To receive apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

EC18/24. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20th June 2024 (APPENDIX A)

• **RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 were approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

EC19/24. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda

 Members were reminded of the need to declare any interests in the items on this agenda, whether pecuniary or otherwise. There were no interests declared.

EC020/24. Public Participation Session

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• A member of the public spoke in relation to agenda item EC22/24. They have some volunteers already but asked the Parish Council for help in trying to recruit some more.

### EC21/24. Signage in Sussex Close

- The Clerk present the request for signage from a resident in Sussex Close. People are parking in Sussex Close to use St Luke's Field.
- It was noted by the meeting Sussex Close is a public highway and any car that has tax, MOT and insurance is entitled to use it. It is not a private road.
- RESOLVED: Not to install signage as no Highway Code Rules are being broken.

### EC22/24. Community Speed Watch Initiative

 RESOLVED: To support the Community Support Initiative by helping to advertise for more volunteers.

### EC23/24. Signage in Parks

- RESOLVED:
  - a) To purchase new park signs now for The Quarry, Telstar Way and Newton Road.
  - b) The new signs will be based on the same design as in other parks in DPC ownership (APPENDIX B)

### EC24/24. Signage on Dogs on Leads

RESOLVED: Not to install signs in DPC parks saying "All Dogs Must Be Kept on Leads".

### EC25/24. CCTV Stickers

• **RESOLVED:** To purchase some small CCTV Monitoring Stickers to act as a deterrent.

### EC26/24. No unauthorised Motor Vehicle Signs

- RESOLVED:
  - a) All DPC Parks should have signage saying "No Unauthorised Vehicles Allowed".
  - b) The wording should the same as they have in some other parks in Northampton.

### EC27/24. Newton Road Public Open Space

### RESOLVED:

- a) To get a quote to get some idea of the cost involved.
- b) To present the quote to a future Council meeting for discussion and consideration..

### EC28/24. Haydown Green Bench

• RESOLVED: To purchase and install a bench for Haydown Green play area (APPENDIX C)

### EC29/24. Devolution of Environmental Services

- The Committee expressed an interest in devolution but felt more details need to be provided before any decision could be made.
- The Clerk said West Northamptonshire Council have not indicated they are considering any devolution of environmental services in the foreseeable future.
- RESOLVED: To adopt a "Wait and See Approach" when it comes to devolution of services from West Northamptonshire Council.

### EC30/24. Tree inspections

 RESOLVED: It was noted tree inspections would be carried out on the following Telstar Way, Duston Wildes / Quarry, Clipton Way, Brockwood Close, Westbury Close & Cheddar Close.

The meeting finished at 8:42pm

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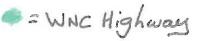
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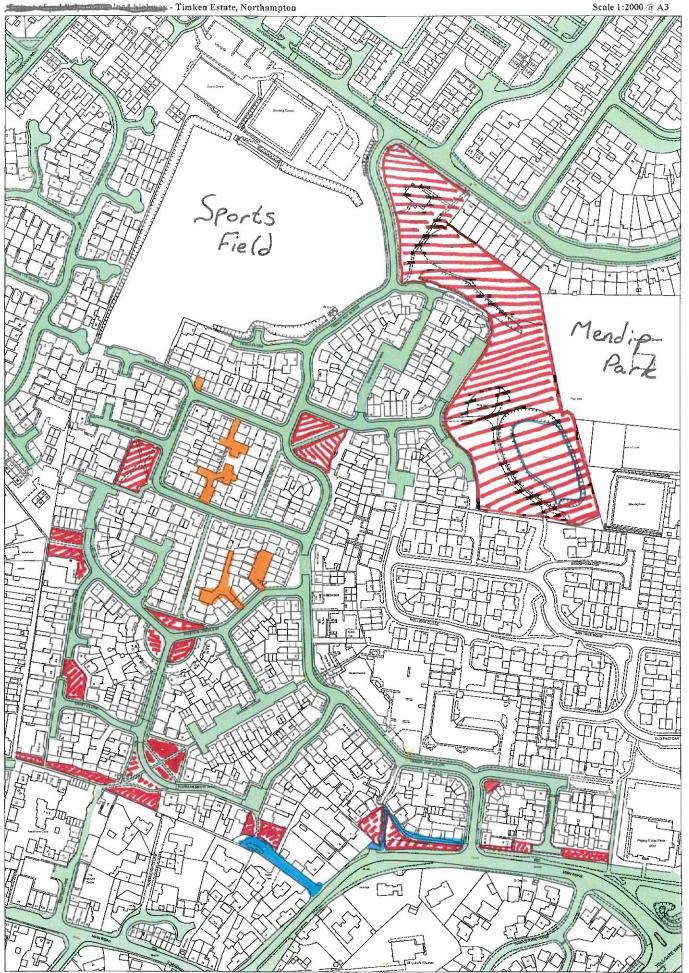
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### **Gary Youens**

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Street Watch - Relaunch [#308614512]







### Street Watch - Relaunch

The Force is relaunching its countywide Street Watch programme and is inviting local people to come together as volunteers to contribute to community safety and crime prevention in their neighbourhood.

Street Watch enables local people to take an active role in keeping their community safe by patrolling their local area as part of an organised scheme, identifying potential issues and engaging with local residents, encouraging them to report things like antisocial behaviour, vandalism and suspicious behaviour to the police.

Street Watch volunteers are supported by a coordinator who liaises with team members and their local neighbourhood policing team to share information and help progress any initiatives that can help prevent crime and improve safety in their local area.

Volunteers are asked to spend a minimum of two hours a month, at times that suit them, patrolling with other scheme members in their local area.

Chief Inspector Dave Wakeman, who is coordinating the relaunch of the Street Watch in Northamptonshire, explained more about the programme.

### He said:

"Street Watch is based on a very simple idea – it's about going for a walk with your neighbours, getting to know people in the area, being a visible presence to help deter crime and anti-social behaviour and generally building up a greater sense of community spirit.

"We already have nine schemes established across the county, with 29 volunteers carrying out patrols each month in their local area.

"By relaunching the Northamptonshire Street Watch programme and putting steps in place to build stronger links and more regular contact between individual schemes and their local neighbourhood policing team, we hope to build a strong network of volunteers across the county to help support safer communities.

"Each scheme is led by a coordinator – a volunteer who will lead the team and liaise with their neighbourhood officers to get information about things to look out for or areas to focus on, and also to be able to provide feedback from their patrols.

"We ask for a commitment of at least two hours a month but volunteers can do as much as they like. All we ask is that there are at least two people on each walk for safety and we provide a high visibility jacket with "Street Watch" on it so people know they are part of an organised group.

"Volunteers organise their own walks, when and where they want to – and can even walk their dog at the same time! It really is up to the group themselves how much or little they do.

"Street Watch is for the community, by the community but our neighbourhood teams will be there to provide as much support as possible."

Anyone who would like to get involved or set up a Street Watch scheme in their area can find out more at <u>northants.police.uk/streetwatch</u> or email <u>citizensinpolicing@northants.police.uk</u>.

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