



DUSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Duston Parish Council
Duston Community Centre
Pendle Road
Duston
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Environment Committee
MINUTES 16th September 2021 7pm

CHAIR: Councillor P Enright-King

PRESENT: Cllrs Maitland, Ennis-Clark, Ingram, Pape

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gary Youens – Acting Parish Clerk

EC010/21. To receive apologies for absence

- None

EC011/21. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 19th August 2021 (APPENDIX A)

- **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the meeting held on 19th August 2021 were approved as a true record of the meeting

EC012/21. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

- None

EC013/21. Public Participation Session

- Cllr Enright-King declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item EC018/21.

EC014/21. To discuss the draft Duston Parish Council Four Year Plan (APPENDIX B)

- A discussion took place about the draft Four Year Plan. There will be an informal Councillor session to discuss it further.

RESOLVED: To take the ideas discussed at the Environment Committee to the informal Councillor session on 23rd September 2021.

EC015/21. To discuss the idea of a Hedgehog Strategy

- Cllr Ennis-Clark spoke about local environmental issues and hedgehogs.

RESOLVED: To recommend to Council that non-toxic spray is used by Duston Parish Council when doing environmental work.

EC016/21. To discuss ideas on improving Limehurst Square

- Cllr Maitland will be speaking to the shop owners of Limehurst Square about what they would like to see and would also arrange some carol singing at Christmas.

EC017/21. To discuss various reporting mechanisms to West Northamptonshire Council

- There are various reporting mechanisms to report environmental issues to West Northamptonshire Council. Street Doctor belongs to WNC whereas others such as Fix My Street are third party sites. Cllr Enright-King gave an example of how he has reported overhanging trees next to Hopping Hill School.

EC018/21. To discuss progress in helping Duston Wombles Litter Pickers

- The Clerk and Cllr Enright-King are currently discussing what specific equipment Duston Wombles need. The idea is that we purchase the equipment and then let Duston Wombles hire it out for free.

EC019/21. Date of Next Meeting

- **RESOLVED:** The next Environment Committee will take place on Thursday 21st October 2021 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8:23pm

