MINUTES of the Environment and Amenities Committee meeting held in The Pavilion on Tuesday 19th April 2022, commencing at 9.23 pm.

Present: Cllrs Bell, Lowther, Rogers

In the Chair: Cllr Plater - Chairman

Clerk: Michelle Curtis

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence, and all Councillors were present.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest disclosed.

3. Public Forum

There were no members of the public present.

4. Minutes of Meeting held on 18th January 2022

Resolved: The minutes of the Environment and Amenity Committee meeting held on 18th January 2022 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Unanimously agreed.

The Chairman signed the minutes.

5. Environment and Amenities

5.1 Allotments

There were no issues to report.

Action: Clerk to arrange Allotment inspection in June 2022.

5.2 Hasler Green

No issues to report.

5.3 Woodrolfe Green

There were no issues to report.

Outstanding work:

Repositioning of recycling bins – this work is not a priority
Action: Chairman to put together the work specification for the base.

5.4 Cemetery

Cllr Lowther reported that the area where the shed was needed tidying. **Action:** Clerk to obtain a quotation from D W Maintenance to seed the area.

TCP carried out tree planting in the Cemetery as part of the Queen's Green Canopy Project.

5.5 Highways/Footpaths

Since the last meeting, there was no update from Cllr Durham on the Highways issues, although most of the issues raised will form part of the application to the Local Highways Panel.

Cllr Bell reported that the blocked drain outside 18 East Street had not been cleared by Essex County Council even though it had been reported on several occasions.

Cllr Lowther reported surface water near the Fiddlers Hall onTollesbury Road.

Action: Clerk to raise both issues with Cllr Durham.

5.6 Street Lighting

No issues to report.

5.7 Dog/Litter Bins

No issues to report.

5.8 Defibrillators

No issues to report.

A new defibrillator has been installed outside the British Legion. Checking and maintenance are the responsibility of the British Legion.

5.9 War Memorials

The Chairman reported that he had spoken with a local contractor regarding the repair works needed for the war memorial and was waiting for a quotation. **Action:** Chairman to chase up the contractor.

7. Other Matters

Works outstanding:

Bus Shelter – Jet washing – to be carried out in the Spring

Cllr Lowther reported that it had come to his attention that Maldon District Council had suspended the services to remove large items, i.e. sofas and domestic appliances. There is concern that there will be an increase in fly-tipping.

Action: Clerk to raise the concern with District Councillors Stephens and Thompson.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Dates to be agreed at the Parish Annual Statutory meeting in May.

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

Signed	Date: