

EARLEY TOWN COUNCIL



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16th July 2025

Dear Councillor

A meeting of the Amenities & Leisure Committee will be held in the Council Chamber at the Council Offices, Radstock Lane, Earley on **Wednesday 23rd July 2025** commencing at 7 pm.

Yours faithfully

Jo Friend

TOWN CLERK

To: Members of the Amenities & Leisure Committee

Councillors: N Brock (Chair), R Ahlawat, A Bassett, A Bradley, R Browne, R Cook, A Long, T Maher, S Matthews and A Newton

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest from Members.

3. **PUBLIC FORUM**

To receive any questions from members of the public attending the meeting. The Public Forum shall not exceed 15 minutes. If there are no questions, the meeting shall commence forthwith.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

To consider the Minutes of the Amenities & Leisure Committee meeting held on 21st May 2025 and, if appropriate, to agree that they represent a true and correct record and **RESOLVE** they be signed.

5. **CULVER LANE ALLOTMENTS**

To receive an update report from the Deputy Town Clerk.

Appendix A

6. **ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT**

Officers have completed their latest ash dieback survey of the Town Council's trees. To receive a verbal report from the Operations Manager.

7. **MEADOW PARK**

To note that the Senior Operations Support Officer is working up proposals to update the junior section of the play area at Meadow Park. Site visits have been held with two playground providers and a consultation activity will be held on the Town Council's stall at the Green Fair. When the information on what equipment would be possible and the associated costs has been obtained, officers will refer back to councillors for input and a decision on the final budget.

8. **TOWN MAPS**

To note that the new Town Map has been printed and the first one has been installed at the Mill Lane roundabout location. We are awaiting delivery of additional Perspex, once that is received the other three new Town Maps will be installed.

9. **OPERATIONS MANAGER – REPORT**

To receive a verbal update from the Operations Manager.

10. **GREEN FAIR – SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST**

To note that preparations for this year's Green Fair on Saturday 2nd August are well under way. Over 50 stalls are booked, including the popular birds of prey, and Rotary Club will be providing refreshments along with a commercial hot food provider. Various posters have gone up on notice boards and street furniture around the town and our social media postings will become more frequent. If any councillor spots a location 'in need of' a poster then do feel free to collect one from the council offices.

11. **FOOTPATH SIGNAGE REQUEST**

To consider a request from Loddon Valley Ramblers for permission to erect a footpath sign at Paddick Drive open space. Members to discuss and to **RESOLVE** accordingly.

Appendix B

12. **TOWN COUNCIL QUESTIONS AT WBC MEETINGS**

To receive and consider any councillor requests for specific questions to be submitted to WBC meetings. Members to also agree the WBC meeting to which the Town Clerk is to submit the question.

Members to **RESOLVE** if required.

13. **PROFILE OF EARLEY**

Councillor Al Neal has requested the Council consider implementing measures to raise the profile of Earley. His request will be provided to all three standing committees who will be asked to feed back their views to Council.

Members to discuss and to agree on points for discussion to be provided to the next full Council meeting. Members to **RESOLVE** accordingly.

Appendix C

14. PUBLICATIONS

To note that the following items have been received and are available for viewing from the Council Offices:

Involve Community Services	E-newsletter – 6 th June 2025 & 4 th July 2025
Connecting Communities in Berkshire (CCB)	E-newsletter – 3 rd June 2025 Community Buildings newsletter 8 th July 2025
Friendship Alliance	E-newsletter – 25 th June & 9 th July 2025
Me2 Club	E-newsletter – 1 st July 2025

15. PRESS RELEASES, WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

To determine whether any of the foregoing items shall form the subject of a special press release.