

Lowestoft Town Council Parks and Open Spaces Sub-Committee

For the attention of all Sub-Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Sub-Committee of Lowestoft Town Council at 19:00 on 15 October 2024, at **First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE.**

The meeting is held in accessible premises and open to the public and press to attend.

Those attending shall be informed that the meeting may be reported on (including recording, photographing and filming). This does not apply to confidential items. Comments can also be submitting regarding any item on the agenda in advance of the meeting.

Members of the public can join the meeting remotely via the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83339295043>. The meeting can also be observed via YouTube on the following link: <https://youtu.be/eZOSqHwSF98>.

In providing any comments members of the public accept that, where they are suitable, they may be considered at the meeting and published in our minutes. Any individual submitting the comments should ensure that their name, address and contact details are included in their communication and should note that anonymous submissions will not be accepted. Members of the public accept that their name may be noted and recorded at the meeting. However, their contact details will not be noted and reported publicly.

Councillors must register relevant interests and declare them at a meeting if they have such an interest in a matter to be considered. Under the Localism Act 2011, a councillor with **relevant interests** in matters on the Agenda cannot take part or vote on those matters, unless they have been granted a dispensation. Under the Council's Code of Conduct, a councillor must leave the meeting room if they have such an interest, unless they have been granted a dispensation. There may be other interests or matters in which councillors might be considered to be biased or predetermined in which case they will need to consider whether they should leave the room.

The Council has a duty to pay due regard to preventing crime and disorder and to conserve biodiversity as part of relevant decisions.

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Sarah Foote, Acting Town Clerk
8 October 2024

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AGENDA

- 62. Welcome**
To explain the fire evacuation procedure, welcome the meeting, and remind councillors and members of the public of the right to report.
- 63. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence**
- 64. Declarations of Interests and Dispensations**
 - 64.1. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda
 - 64.2. To consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and note dispensations granted
- 65. To consider the draft minutes of the meetings on 10 September 2024**
- 66. Public Forum**
An opportunity for the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda, and to consider any advance comments from the public.
- 67. To monitor expenditure by this Sub-Committee from its delegated budget**
- 68. To receive an update on the Gunton Community Park community garden project from The Conservation Volunteers, and consider a request to begin public engagement**
- 69. To consider budget requirements for the 2025-2026 financial year and make a recommendation to Budget and Loan Working Group for consideration**
- 70. To discuss wildflower areas and which of the Town Council's parks would be appropriate for planting**
- 71. To consider extending the Town Council's provision of fruit trees**
- 72. To consider planting options for a flower bed in Normanston Park**
- 73. To consider an additional entrance at Normanston Park for emergency vehicles**
- 74. To consider the installation of a duck food dispenser in Kensington Gardens**
- 75. To consider the inclusion of 'Happy to Chat' benches in parks to reduce loneliness and improve mental health**
- 76. Date of the next meeting**
19 November 2024 19:00
- 77. Items for the next Agenda and Close**
- 78. To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely any legal issues relating to the matters on this agenda**