

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF  
**CHILBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL'S OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE (COSC)**  
**To be held on Thursday 16 February 2023 at Poplar Dene, Cart Lane, Chilbolton; 18:30**  
**A G E N D A   P A C K**

1. Apologies
2. Declaration of Interests
3. Approval of Minutes – [Thursday 12 January 2023](#)
4. Matters Arising
5. To take questions and/or discuss and decide on any proposals within the monthly update reports as follows: -
  - A) [Finance](#) – Clerk
  - B) Allotments – T. Gilmour – Nothing to report
  - C) Common – M. Grove to inc. – No report given at time of publishing
    - I. Update on Common signage
    - II. Update on Fishing Rights
  - D) Machinery Maintenance - No report given at time of publishing
  - E) Parish Paths – Cllr Griffiths - No report given at time of publishing
  - F) Village Greens - No report given at time of publishing
  - G) War Memorial Playing Fields – N. Horne to inc.
    - I. Update on WMPF Development Group and Adventure Tower proposal update - No report given at time of publishing
    - II. Discussion on installation of CCTV (Advice from HALC [12123 1](#))
  - H) West Down - No report given at time of publishing
6. To discuss making local legislation to protect the Common (re correspondence received from The Rt Hon Caroline Nokes MP ([9123 3](#))).
7. To discuss and decide on Chainsaw Safety Equipment – Should CPC provide or ask users to provide own and sign a disclaimer of some sort?
8. [To discuss ways to make Virgin Media and BT junction boxes around the village more aesthetically pleasing](#)
9. Green Canopy Project
10. [Correspondence](#)
11. Questions from Public
12. Any Other Business – For information only
13. Items for the next agenda
14. Date of the next meeting – Scheduled date is Thursday 9 March 2023 at Poplar Dene, Village Street.

## 5A) Finance report

OVERVIEW SUMMARY	Ringfenced accounts							TOTAL
	HSBC No.2 / Batty acc	HSBC Deposit/WMPF Capital acc	WMPF Capital (held in current account)	Common	West Down	Other (i.e. precept funded)	VAT	
<b>Opening Balance as at 1/4/22</b>	<b>5099.97</b>	<b>3747.59</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>19165.59</b>	<b>10029.01</b>			<b>38042.16</b>
COSC related Receipts total to date	10.32	5.85	2612.50	5359.56	3269.68	765.82		12023.73
COSC related Expenditure to date	-1898.00		-2597.87	-7419.38	-2894.33	-5650.99	-2929.78	-23390.35
<b>Closing Balance as at 3/1/23</b>	<b>3212.29</b>	<b>3753.44</b>	<b>14.63</b>	<b>17105.77</b>	<b>10404.36</b>	<b>-4885.17</b>	<b>-2929.78</b>	<b>26675.54</b>
<b>Notification of receipts from 4/1/23 inc. in above figures</b>								
RPA - Common Ed Visits				1200.00				
PRA - WD Countryside Stewardship					1523.34			
<b>Notification of payments from 4/1/23 (inc. in above figures): -</b>								
G Evans reimbursement for trees WD/Green Canopy project						70.73		<b>70.73</b>
D Griffiths reimbursement for manure fork					26.79		5.36	<b>32.15</b>
Business Stream - WD water					38.57			<b>38.57</b>
JRB enterprise - dog waste bags				149.34	74.66	224.00	89.60	<b>537.60</b>
SSE - Pavilion Electric						34.96	1.74	<b>36.70</b>
The Mapping Company - WMPF Boundary (WMPF Running costs)						300.00	60.00	<b>360.00</b>

COSC related Community Projects Allocations/reconciliation -	Budgeted	Expenditure	Receipt	Balance
WMPF improvements to Play Area	10000.00			10000.00
West Down Tree Planting (balance to be used for acquisition & planting of bigger trees in the autumn/Green Canopy)	2000.00	-315.45	835.00	2519.55
Further enhancements to WMPF	5000.00			5000.00
Common gravel area redesign	5000.00	-277.19		4722.81
	22000.00	-592.64	835.00	22242.36

HYPERLINKS to SPREADSHEETS:

[Receipts](#)

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## **8. To discuss ways to make Virgin Media and BT junction boxes around the village more aesthetically pleasing –**

### **NH proposal re making Virgin Media and BT junction boxes around the village more aesthetically pleasing**

24 Jan 2023,

Whilst we accept the need to have them they are not aesthetically pleasing and I would like COSC to consider a solution which has proved popular and widespread in New Zealand and Australia. Local artists have been invited to display their skills and at the same time bring life and interest to utilitarian objects.

I suggest that local artists could be invited which would promote their abilities and at the same time increase interest in something unique to the area, and raise the village profile as a promoter of local talent. Not to mention brightening the lives of villagers!

All subject to the agreement of Virgin and BT whom I sincerely hope would co-operate, if correctly approached.

Here is the BT policy on decorating their street furniture

<https://www.openreach.com/help-and-support/damage-health-and-safety/cabinet-art>

I have not found anything online about a Virgin Media policy so it will need someone to enquire via their local team. It does seem there may be an overheating issue with their cabinets - hence the use of grey - so light colours only may be allowed.

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## **10. Correspondence –**

10/01/23 - Email to HCC rights of way re barbed wire adj. to footpaths ([6223\\_1](#)) – HCC have investigated and we await formal report

18/1/23 - RPA Countryside Stewardship payment rates have been updated ([6223\\_7](#)) – forwarded to COSC

12/1/23 - SSE re non eligible supplies - WMPF pavilion ([6223\\_12](#))

25/1/23 - SSE contract end and renewal quote - WMPF Pavilion ([6223\\_13](#)) (SSE renewal quote and British Gas comparison ([6223\\_13a](#))). CPC Cllrs discussed and agreed to renewal the contract with SSE. The Clerk has informed SSE.

27/1/23 - Environmental Land Management funding update ([6223\\_15](#)) – Forwarded to COSC

6/2/23 - HCC New countryside access ranger details ([6223\\_29](#))

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