

Ongar

Town Council



Aimi Middlehurst
Town Clerk



5th September 2013

TO MEMBERS OF THE OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE** to be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, BANSONS, BANSONS WAY, ONGAR CM5 9AS** on **THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2013** commencing at **7.30pm** for the transaction of business as set out below. Members of the press and public are invited to attend.

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AGENDA

31/13 Apologies for absence

32/13 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPIs), Other Pecuniary Interest and Non Pecuniary Interests under the Council's adopted Code of Conduct.

Members of the Council are subject to Paragraphs 6 (DPIs), 7 (Other Pecuniary Interests) and 8 (Non Pecuniary Interests) of that Code. Members are also subject to Paragraphs 9– 11 of that Code as regards declaration of interests and participation in the meeting insofar as any item of business involves such an interest.

33/13 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda previously notified to the Clerk

The Council will hear first from Councillors with prejudicial interest who must leave the room immediately after they have made their representations, answered questions or given evidence. Councillors cannot remain in the room to hear representations of others. After the close of public participation session, any member having left due to Section 12 (2) may rejoin the Council. When the Council starts to discuss any item on the agenda, where a member has an interest, the member with that interest must have regard to the Code of Conduct and make the necessary disclosure and where appropriate leave the meeting.

The maximum time allowed for this item is 15 minutes.

34/13 To agree the minutes of the Open Spaces committee meeting held on 25 July 2013

The minutes are attached.

35/13 Clerk's Report

36/13 Matters arising for report from the previous committee meeting

37/13 Allotments

- To receive a report on the meeting with Ongar Allotment and Gardening Society (OAGS) on 16th August
- To receive an update on improvements at the Moreton Road site

38/13 Cycle trail around Ongar

- To consider the feasibility of setting up a cycle trail around Ongar

39/13 Litter and waste management

- To receive information on placing dog waste in general litter bins
- To note the arrangements for the litter picking event on Saturday 12th October

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40/13 Nature Reserve

- To note arrangements for the Open Day on Saturday 14th September
- To receive a report on the clearance of vegetation near the river bank
- To consider a reduction in the limb of a White Poplar tree overhanging the site

41/13 Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Field

- To consider replacing a damaged gate at the play area
- To note that grant funding has been secured for the Double Cableway
- To note that the equipment has been ordered and agree the exact location

42/13 St Martin's Church Yard Working Party

- To confirm Cllr Keith Tait as a member of the working party

43/13 Open Spaces committee budget 2013/14

- To receive information on the committee budget

44/13 Unlisted items

Unlisted items can be raised by Councillors or members of the public for the Council's consideration. No discussion will be held at this meeting. Time limited to 5 minutes.