ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the meeting held on 23 August 2018 at Eccleston Community Hub, Drapers Avenue, Eccleston.

Present Cllrs J Holborn (Chairman), D Bonney, and K Brown.

Also present 2 Members of the public.

19.18 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Miller and H Thomas.

20.18 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

21.18 Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 July 2018

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

22.18 Volunteer Group

The Committee thanked the Members of the Volunteer Group for their efforts, which had greatly improved the Millennium and Village Greens.

A meeting had taken place with a representative from Mawdesley Millennium Green Trust who had provided information on their operation, which is run by various committees for management, maintenance and fundraising.

Clarification regarding the arrangements with Natural England relating to the Parish Council's takeover of the trusteeship of the Millennium Green was provided. The agreement was for the Council to maintain the site as an area of public open space only and not to maintain the structures installed at the time of construction of the Millennium Green.

Priority work includes removing overgrown grass to take the tarmac paths back to their full width, some tree works. Some of the work might be submitted as a priority for the Neighbourhood Area meeting.

The Chairman suggested some form of scoping document could be put together to plan for the work needed.

23.18 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Resolved: in accordance with Part 1 (3) of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, Members of the press and public were excluded for the consideration of the following item.

24.18 Hawthorns Play/Open Space Area

Proposals from five contractors were considered. From the proposals the Members compiled a list of requirements which is to be sent to all five contractors to provide further quotations.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.