

BILLERICAY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Health, Wellbeing and Environment Committee meeting
held in the Council Chamber, The Chantry Centre, Chantry Way, CM11 2AP
on Tuesday 9th September 2025 at 7.00pm

Chairman: Cllr M Moore
Vice-Chairman: Cllr K Mordecai
Councillors: P Bunyan, E Davies, C May, K Herlock, J Tutton
Also in attendance: the Town Clerk

25. Apologies for absence

Cllrs C Butler, M Dear, G Talbot, M Thomas

26. Declarations of interest with regard to items on the Agenda

None.

27. Public Participation session with respect to items on the Agenda

None.

28. Minutes of the Health, Well-being and Environment Committees held on 1st July 2025

Members received and considered the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1st July 2025.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

29. Health, Well-Being & Environment Committee Accounts

Members received and considered the following:

(a) a copy of the accounts in respect of the Health, Well-Being and Environment Committee from 1st April 2025 to 4th September 2025

RESOLVED: (a) financial information noted

30. Working Parties/Project Groups

Members received and considered the following:

(a) **Events Working Party** – minutes of the meetings held on 2nd July and 6th August 2025. Cllr Herlock, Chair of the working party summarised the minutes and advised those present that a Community Open Day will held in March 2026 and on 11th September a meeting will be held with community groups to gather ideas about how the Council can support them with holding events at the Chantry Centre.

RESOLVED: information noted

31. Litter

Members received and considered the following:

(a) High Street Solar Compacting Bins – BBC has been asked to relocate these to Greggs and Sun Corner and a response is awaited. It was noted that a new bin has recently been installed on Sun Corner.

(b) Solar Compacting Bin outside the Chantry Centre – this has now been installed and early feedback is positive.

(c) Budget for Replacement Bins – BBC officers are awaiting confirmation of the budget for this project but have advised they are prioritising the removal of dangerous bins.

RESOLVED: that all of the above information is noted.

32. Annual Play Area Inspection Reports

Members received and considered The Play Inspection Company's reports on Lake Meadows teen area and the Outwood Common Playground. Members were advised that Basildon Council are responsible for the Lake Meadows maintenance following the 2024 refurbishment paid for by the Town Council, and there is nothing above moderate risk at Outwood Common.

RESOLVED: information noted.

33. Festival Gardens

(a) Members received and considered a quotation from Skippers Ground Maintenance to undertake a monthly maintenance schedule on site going forward.

(b) Cllr Davies advised those present that he had contacted Writtle College and their Technical Horticulture students will be re-designing the space as part of their course.

RESOLVED: (i) that the quotation is approved, and; (ii) the submitted designs will be reviewed by the Recreation working party

34. British Heart Foundation 65

Members considered the proposal that a red memorial bench with a living memory plaque is installed to commemorate the charity's 65th anniversary next year. Possible locations are Sun Corner and alongside the War Memorial. The Town Clerk will investigate the feasibility of both sites and report back at the next meeting.

RESOLVED: information noted.

35. Items for Information

(a) Minutes of the Tree Wardens meeting held on 22 July 2025

RESOLVED: information noted.

36. Items for consideration for Social Media/Press Release

None.

37. Questions from the Press and Public

None.

Cllr M Moore
Chairman of the Committee

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.20pm

Chairman:..... Date: