



Agenda Item No: 3

Bristol City Council Minutes of Public Rights of Way and Greens Committee (AGM) held on 21 July 2014 at 2pm

Members:-

(A) De-notes absence (P) De-notes present

Labour	Liberal Democrat	Conservative	Green
Jackson (P) Councillor Khan (A) Councillor Langley (P)	Councillor Morgan (P)	Councillor Abraham (P)	Councillor Bolton (P)

1. Election of Chair

Nominations received - Councillor Abraham.

Councillor Abraham was duly elected as Chair of Public Rights of Way & Greens Committee for 2014/15.

2. Election of Vice Chair

Nominations received - Councillor Bolton.

Councillor Bolton was duly elected as Vice Chair of Public Rights of Way & Greens Committee for 2014/15.

3. Membership of the Committee

That the membership for the 2014/15 Municipal Year be noted as follows:-

Labour	Liberal Democrat	Conservative	Green
Jackson Councillor Khan Councillor Langley	Councillor Morgan	Councillor Abraham	Councillor Bolton

4. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor M Khan.

5. Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were made.

6. Minutes of Public Rights of Way & Greens Committee – 31 March, 2014

Resolved – that the Minutes of the Public Rights of Way & Greens Committee held on 31 March, 2014 be confirmed as a correct record.

7. Public participation – Questions, statements and petitions

Members of the Committee had received public forum statements in advance of the meeting.

The Statements were heard at the appropriate point on the agenda and were taken into consideration by the Committee when considering an item/reaching a decision. *(A copy of the public forum statements are held on public record in the Minute Book).*

8. Application to register land known as Higham Street Green Totterdown Bristol as a town or village green pursuant to Section 15(1) of the Commons Act 2006

The Committee considered a report of the Commons Registration Authority (agenda item no. 10) relating to an application for land described in the application as Higham Street Green, Totterdown, Bristol.

Resolved- that the land described in the application as Higham Street Green, Totterdown, Bristol be registered as a town or village green for the reasons set out in the Independent Inspector's Further Report on the Locality issue dated 12 May, 2014.

9. Application for land known as Ashton Vale Fields to be registered as a town or village green made under the Commons Act 2006

The Committee was fully appraised of the detail in the report of the Commons Registration Authority (agenda item no. 11) relating to an application to amend the application to register land known as Ashton Vale Fields as a town or village green made under the Commons Act 2006 as illustrated in Appendix C of the report.

The Committee also received an updated Public Notice posted at the site alerting the public to the proposed amendment to the application and the intention to voluntarily register the smaller portion. The notice also showed the revised dates of the re-scheduled PROWG Committee which had been changed from 30 June, 2014 to 21 July, 2014 *(this document is held on public record in the Minute Book).*

The Committee considered the advice given in the report particularly the principles set out in paragraph 37. The Committee expressed support for the proposal to allow the amendment. The Committee noted that it had been agreed between the interested parties as a way to move forward although this was not determinative as the decision needs to be fair to the parties, including the public. The Committee was mindful of the length of time it had taken to reach this position. The Committee was also satisfied that local public consultation had been properly carried out. There has been no notification of objection to the amendment.

It was moved and seconded that the amendment of the Application to reduce the size of the land (as shown in Appendix C of the report), be allowed.

On being put to the vote it was unanimously -

Resolved- that the amendment to the extent of the Application land (as shown in Appendix C of the report), be allowed.

10. Application for land known as "Tackley Green" (former territorial army land) to be registered as a town and village green made under the Commons Act 2006

The Committee considered a report of the Commons Registration Authority (agenda item no. 12) relating to an application for land described in the application as "Tackley Green" (former territorial army land).

The Committee was further advised that the Applicant was unable to attend this meeting and to therefore defer consideration of this item until the next meeting on 29 September, 2014.

Resolved- that the determination of the application to register Tackley Green as a town or village green be deferred until the next meeting of the Committee on 29 September, 2014.

11. Current applications for registration of land as town or village greens

The Committee considered a report of the Commons Registration Authority (agenda item no. 13) setting out the current position with regard to current applications for registration of land as town or village greens.

Resolved- that the present position with regards to town or village green applications be noted.

12. Current Claims, Inquiries and Miscellaneous Rights of Way

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Director, Regeneration (Agenda Item No. 14) noting the present position.

Resolved- that the report be noted.

13. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Public Rights of Way and Greens Committee will be held on Monday 29 September, 2014 at 2pm.

(The meeting ended at 2.30 pm)

CHAIR