

Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Environment and Safe Communities Committee on Wednesday, 27 July 2022

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit and Scrutiny Committee.

NOTE: The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Committee. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting (for which reference should be made to the minutes) but to facilitate the call-in process.

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1.	Question Time	No questions were received from members of the public.
2.	Declarations of Interest	<p>The following declarations were made by Members of the Committee in relation to items on the agenda:</p> <p>Allotments</p> <p>Councillor Julie Morris, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Julie Morris declared that she was an allotment holder but came to the meeting with a clear and open mind.</p> <p>Allotments</p> <p>Councillor Steven McCormick, Other Interest: In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillor Steven McCormick declared that he is an allotment holder but came to the meeting with a clear and open mind.</p>
3.	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Environment and Safe Communities Committee held on 22 March 2022 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

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4.	Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee	<p>The Committee received a report establishing the details of membership and meeting frequency of the Council’s Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee.</p> <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p>(1) Agree the membership and frequency of meetings as set out in the report.</p>
5.	Domestic Waste Fees and Charges	<p>The Committee received a report proposing increases to the cost of Garden Waste recycling subscriptions and Bulky Waste collection charges with effect from 1 September 2022. This was proposed to help cover rising operational costs, such as for fuel, bins, AdBlue and staffing costs.</p> <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p>(1) Approve an increase to the cost of new and renewed garden waste subscriptions from 1 September 2022 as detailed in paragraph 2.4.1 of the report.</p> <p>(2) Approve an increase to the cost of bulky waste collections from 1 September 2022 as detailed in paragraph 2.4.2 of the report.</p>
6.	Allotments	<p>The Committee received a report reporting the results of the self-managed allotments consultation.</p> <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p>

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		<p>(1) Note the outcome of the self-managed consultation.</p> <p>(2) Agree not to progress with options of self-management with all existing Council managed allotment site holders except for those who occupy plots at Epsom Common.</p> <p>(3) Agree a further consultation with Epsom Common allotment tenants to include a copy of the terms and conditions of the self-managed scheme, to be actioned once the current allotment database has been subject to data cleanse to ensure integrity of information stored.</p> <p>(4) Agree to a change in the self-management criteria to read: “At least 65% of the current plot holders support the application to join the self-managed scheme, non-responders will be treated as a vote to remain council managed”.</p>
7.	Appointment of Alternative Transport Member Champion	<p>The Committee received a report requesting the Committee’s approval to the appointment of Councillor Phil Neale as the Alternative Transport Champion for the 2022-23 Municipal Year, in accordance with Article 17 of the Constitution.</p> <p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p>(1) Approve the appointment of Councillor Phil Neale as the Alternative Transport Member Champion for the 2022-23 Municipal Year.</p>