

CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Environment Committee held on Thursday 3rd April 2025

Please note – These are draft minutes and will not be ratified until the next meeting of the committee.

For the papers discussed at the meeting, please see the [Agenda & Papers – 3rd April 2025](#)

In attendance:

Committee members: Cllrs

Suzy Firkin (Chair)
Heather Pearce (Vice Chair)
Sally Ann Holland
Glen Williams

Ex Officio: Cllrs Kay Wesley (Mayor) & Robert Brittain (Deputy Mayor)

Non-committee Members: Cllrs Robert Douglas

Congleton Town Council Officers: David McGifford – Chief Officer and Ruth Burgess – Streetscape Development Manager

Members of the public: None

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for the absence were received from: Cllrs Suzie Akers Smith, Amanda Martin, Susan Mead and Heather Seddon.

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings

ENV/37/2425 Resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Committee held on 6th February 2025 as a correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

Declarations of interest were received from Cheshire East Borough Ward Councillors: Cllr Sally Ann Holland, on matters related to Cheshire East Borough Council.

4. Outstanding Actions

ENV/38/2425 Resolved to receive the list of outstanding actions.

5. Questions from Members of the Public

None received.

6. Urgent Items

None received.

7. Congleton In Bloom Working Group

ENV/39/2425 Resolved to receive the verbal update from the Congleton in Bloom Working Group members regarding judging dates for 2025 and thanks to RHS Roy Down for taking the time to visit Congleton and support our entry.

8. Green Working Group

ENV/40/2425 Resolved to receive the notes of the Green Working Group

9. Streetscape Trading Account

ENV/41/2425 Resolved to receive the Streetscape Trading account report.

10. Streetscape Update

ENV/42/2425 Resolved to receive the report relating to the Streetscape Services.

- **Action** - Send email to all councillors regarding CEC - R Kemp's response to Swap and Skip day
- **Action** - Compare bulky item collection services from other councils compared to CEC pricing
- **Action** - Weed Spraying proposal and pricing to go to full council on 1st May

11. Carbon Footprint Summary

ENV/43/2425 Resolved to receive updates and comments regarding the Town Council Carbon Footprint.

12. Wildflower Planting Site

ENV/44/2425 Resolved To receive a report on the continuous planting of many wildflower sites across Congleton green spaces and verges.

13. Electric Vehicles update

ENV/45/2425 Resolved to receive updates and comments regarding the Streetscape Vehicles and current status on electric vehicles.

14. Cemetery Capacity Congleton

ENV/46/2425 Resolved to receive a verbal update from Cllr Firkin on Cheshire East Borough Council proposal for the Cemetery Capacity within Congleton.

16. Cheshire East Report

No report received for the committee

Cllr Suzy Firkin
(Chair)