



Congleton Town Council

Title	Environment Committee
Date of Meeting Time	2 October 2025 7 pm
Status	Draft Minutes – to be ratified at the next Committee meeting
Reference Documents	Agenda Papers for Environment - 2nd October 2025

Attendance

Committee Members	Cllr Suzy Firkin (Chair and Deputy Mayor) Cllr Heather Pearce (Vice Chair) Cllr Dawn Allen Cllr Charles Booth Cllr Sally Ann Holland Cllr Susan Mead Cllr Heather Seddon Cllr Glen Williams
Ex Officio	Cllr Robert Brittain (Mayor)
Non-Committee Members	Cllrs Robert Douglas, Arabella Holland & Kay Wesley
Officers	David McGifford (Chief Officer) and Doug Christie (Streetscape Development Manager).
Members of the Press	0
Members of the Public	2

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for the absence were received from Cllrs Suzie Akers Smith and David Brown.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

ENV/09/2526 Resolved to approve and sign the minutes of the Environment Committee held on 3rd July 2025 as a correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

Declarations of non-pecuniary interest were received from Cllrs Sally Ann Holland, re Cheshire East Council and agenda items 8 & 11, Cllr Heather Seddon, Cheshire East Council and Cllr Glen Williams on items 9 & 14.

4. Outstanding Actions

None

5. Questions from Members of the Public

Two residents from Henshall Hall wished to advise the council that they were not responsible for comments in the Chronicle that stated that Cheshire East Council had supported the clearance of grass and verge debris through work undertaken by residents. They wanted it noted that it was not correct and that it was Congleton Town Council that had assisted the residents in the clearance, and wanted to express their gratitude.

Action – Comms team to contact Congleton Chronicle to request that a correction/apology be made, and advise relevant social media channels.

6. Urgent Items

No urgent items

7. Congleton In Bloom Working Group

7.1 ENV/10/2526 Resolved to receive Floral In Bloom Management Accounts.

Noted that there was a query on a bulb planting project – Cllr Williams to check with Patti Pinto.

8. Streetscape Management Account

ENV/11/2526 Resolved to receive the Streetscape Management account.

9. Streetscape Update

ENV/12/2526 Resolved to receive the Streetscape update.

Action to arrange a meeting with Plus Dane to discuss joint working on the fly-tipping issue.

10. Carbon Footprint Summary

ENV/13/2425 Resolved to receive updates and comments regarding the Town Council Carbon Footprint.

11. Town Hall Environmental Project

ENV/14/2425 Resolved to receive the update on the Town Hall double/secondary glazing project.

12. Mobile Waste Service

ENV/15/2425 Resolved to receive the verbal update, which advised that there were no dates for the commencement of this project.

13. Resolution to Exclude the Public and Press from Items 15 & 16

ENV/16/2425 Resolved to pass a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that public and press be excluded from the meeting due to commercial sensitivities.

14. Brunswick Wharfe

ENV/17/2425 Resolved to receive the report from the Chief Officer.

15. Streetscape Private Works Update

ENV/18/2425 Resolved to receive the report from the Chief Officer.

Meeting ended 8:10pm

**Cllr Suzy Firkin
(Chair)**