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Minutes of a meeting of the Public Realm Committee held in the Meeting Room, Lawford Parish Community Hub, The Avenue, Lawford, CO11 2FR on Monday 3 August 2026 at 6.30pm

Present: Cllr V Guglielmi Cllr C Guglielmi
Cllr T Barrett Cllr D Thurlow
Cllr K Symon Cllr B Chester

- 1) **Apologies for Absence** were received and approved for Cllr Castell and Naylor.
- 2) **To receive members declarations of interest on items that appear on the agenda.** Cllr Symon declared his interest in Item 5a).
- 3) **Minutes** - Minutes of the previous public realm committee meeting held on Monday 1 June 2026 were approved and signed by the Chair.
- 4) **Public Participation** – There were no members of the public in attendance.
- 5) **Lawford Parish Community Hub:**
 - a) Hire bookings for August/September 2026. The bookings were noted.
 - b) New lighting and hand dryers. The Clerk confirmed she was waiting for quotes.
 - c) Lawford Scouts use of the field. The Clerk confirmed she was waiting for a further quote for the gate.
 - d) Lawford Buggy Club. The Clerk confirmed that all paperwork had been signed, and the LBC was moving equipment into the garden area at the back of the building before holding its first session on 16 August 2026.
 - e) Tendring Hundred Farmers Club. Cllr C Guglielmi informed the meeting about a meeting held today to explore segregating the broadband into 3: one for LPC, one for THFC and one for Guests. It was agreed that LPC and THFC would share this cost. The Clerk said that in view of the potential risk regarding data protection she would order the router and installation (quoted at £855.00 + VAT) in line with Financial Regulation 5.18. This was agreed.
 - f) EV Charging Points in car park. Cllr C Guglielmi said he was waiting to hear back from Lawford School and would update at the next meeting.
- 6) **Playgrounds/Recreation:**
 - a) Pump Track. This was discussed and agreed that the Clerk would explore Contract Finder and ECC Tenders Portal and report at the next meeting.
- 7) **Streetlighting**
 - a) Solar lights Phase 1 – Summers Park and Riverview. Cllr Thurlow reported that he was waiting for a start date and would update at the next meeting.
 - b) Solar lights on Cox's Hill. Cllr Thurlow said this was ongoing.
 - c) Solar lights on Bromley Road. Cllr Thurlow said this was ongoing.
- 8) **Landscaping**
 - a) Grass cutting - Tendring District Council. Cllr C Guglielmi said he was waiting for John Glover's quote for Honeycroft before finalising the agreement.

9) Planning

- a) July Planning Application 26/00971/ADV. This was considered and agreed to support.
- b) Tarchon Interconnector Consultation Project. Cllr C Guglielmi said he would send round a briefing he had prepared for this project.
- c) Sainsbury's Planning Application. Cllr C Guglielmi explained there were 3 applications which he had called in. He said there would be a bus stop installed after Acorn Village entrance, the pavement would be widened to 3m and access to the Sainsbury's site could be achieved via the land available.

10) General

- a) Manningtree roundabout. Cllr C Guglielmi informed the meeting that he was liaising with the county councillor regarding this issue, and it would be ongoing.
- b) Ownership of bus shelters in Lawford. Cllr Guglielmi said he would chase the email sent to Members Enquiries.

11) Matters for Future Discussion.

- a) Cllr D Thurlow said he would like to get a quote for a seat to be installed at the bus stop at Station Road, Queensway. This was agreed and he said he would report to Full Council.
- b) A request to scatter ashes under a memorial tree was granted. Clerk to respond to the resident.
- c) Garden City issues with HGVs. It was agreed that Cllr C Guglielmi would respond to the resident suggesting putting a log along the boundary to the garden area.
- d) Request for No Parking signage at Cotman Avenue. It was agreed to ask the resident for pictures and times of day when the parking taking place. Clerk to action.

12) Items for information.

There were no items for information.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7.40pm

Signature: (Chair)

Date: