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Minutes of Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Monday 24th April 2023

Present: Councillor T Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors Mrs. N Whalley, T Fiddler, Mrs. P Mulholland, Mrs. L Willis, Mrs. C Thomas and K McKay.

1) Apologies:

None

2) To record Declaration of interest from members in any item to be discussed.

All Councillors, as Landlords, declared an interest in items 3 – The Hawthorns, and item 4 – Croft Butts lane allotments.

3) To consider the Open Spaces areas at the Hawthorns

It was agreed that all the borders needed a major pruning to reduce the size of the bushes and to remove self-seeded brambles, nettles and other plants.

Ivy growing up trees should be removed.

All pathways should be cleared of plants growing onto them.

The Bracken drive road sign needs repairing.

The hedgerow on the Northern side of the areas needs a major prune.

4) To review the Croft Butts lane Allotments

The allotments were inspected and it was pleasing to see that everywhere was tidy and the allotments, pathways and main pathway were kept in good order.

It was agreed that the owner of the bees should be asked to bring them back.

5) To review the Memorial park

The chairman reported that he has asked the Contractor to put some fencing in front of one of the borders to prevent dogs from going on it.

He reported that he had had a meeting with friends of Michelle Mullen and it has been agreed that he would try to obtain additional funding to for a larger plaque and an imitation sun flower to be placed adjacent to the bench in her memory.

Signed	T Fiddler, V	ice Chairn	nan
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