Minutes of Open Spaces/Fabrics meeting held on Monday 18th September 2023

Present: Councillor T Threlfall, (Chair)

Councillors Mrs. N Whalley, Mrs. P Mulholland, Mrs. J Atherton, K McKay and Mrs D Dickinson

1) Apologies:

Mrs. L Willis Mrs. C Thomas (holidays) and T Fiddler (other business) It was resolved to accept the reason for absence.

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 Cenotaph gardens, item 4 – The Memorial Park and item 5 - the Bush lane sports field.

3) To review the Cenotaph gardens.

It was resolved that the following action should be taken:-Repair a dip in the footpath near the western entrance. The trees should be trimmed back. The borders need weeding.

Concern was expressed regarding the quality of the plants in the flower beds.

4) To review the Memorial park

It was resolved that the following action should be taken:-

The hedgerow and trees in front of the scout hut need cutting back and nettles and brambles removed. The lamp posts need painting. The beds need weeding. A damage tree should be removed. A tree on the pathway needs over-hanging branches removing.

It was suggested that the CCTV system should be checked to see if a camera could pick up activities in the Memorial stone area.

5) To review the Hedgerow between the Ribble ave gardens and the Sports field

The Clerk reported that he has had a meeting with the Contractor and all the vegetation growing near the wire fencing will be removed and if need be weed killer sprayed to deter it from re-growing. In addition the vegetation on the western side of the boundary should be sprayed.

Signed.....Mrs. P Mulholland, Chairman...... Date.....09/10/23.....

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