

Minutes of the Environment Committee of Madeley Town Council held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 commencing at 6.30 pm at Jubilee House, High Street, Madeley.

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**PRESENT:** **Councillors:** **D White (Chair), Janice Jones, Andy Harrison and Ruth Meadows**  
**Alison Hinks, Charlotte Dade, Sam Wincott and Zoe Broome from staff team**  
**Samantha Middleton, Deputy Town Clerk taking minutes.**

- E26/045      Apologies**  
Apologies received from Cllr C Ansah due to work. Committee accepted apologies.
- E26/046      Remarks from the Chair**  
The chair welcomed Councillors to the meeting and wished everyone Happy New Year.
- E26/047      Public Discussion**  
No members of the public present.
- E26/048      Declarations of Interest**  
No interests declared.
- E26/049      Minutes**  
**Resolved:**  
Councillors unanimously agreed that the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Monday 10 November were confirmed and approved for signature (see Appendix A).
- E26/050      Programme for 2026.**  
The committee discussed their priorities for the next 12 months with the staff team. The biggest one for this committee is the CA Team as this is the one that has the largest spend from the annual budget. CA Team is to continue to attend the committee meetings and Derek will come to the monthly catch ups held by the Deputy Town Clerk, these give us chance to discuss issues and problems and sort them out quickly.  
The East team is being replaced with no notice or discussion with the Town Council, this is not satisfactory and makes reporting things difficult for the staff team and residents. The staff team agreed that all reports now go through My Telford app. The Ca Team should be doing things above and beyond the normal core work and we must ensure this happens. Any issues to be reported back to the committee.

It was agreed to look at moving Grass cutting service under the Environment Committee. Alison Hinks Town Clerk will look at this.

John Box came to the last meeting and wanted to re-ignite environmental policies the council had. It was agreed that Plastic Free policy be updated and as part of a wider project on the website and we looked at updating the site with details of how efficiently the building runs.

The noticeboards are a great way to communicate with our residents. It was agreed to get a board fitted under them after the issues with a guide dog. The committee wanted photos of the noticeboards and would look at the best way forward at the next meeting.

The team also discussed new street furniture for Sutton Hill, Hills Lane and Woodside with new recycling bins suggested, Telford and Wrekin council will be approached as they are in the process of updating things in the borough.

The chair thanked the staff for attending and the staff team left the meeting.

**E26/051 ECLO Report**

The committee received the latest update from Brett West; it had been agreed that Brett would not attend this meeting but would attend the next meeting on 9 March 2026.

**E26/052 Planning Applications.**

The Deputy Town Clerk had put together a list of current planning application in Madeley, Sutton Hill and Woodside, which were presented to the Environment Committee.

**E26/053 Grit Bins**

Cllr White and the Town Council have received lots of requests for Grit bins following the recent bad weather. A new grit bin costs around £400 each. All requests are sent to Town and Parish councils by Telford and Wrekin council; we do not have a specific budget for them.

Cllr White has done some research and contacted Aberdeen Council, and they place large ton bags out on roads so that residents can go and get grit to grit their roads. The cost of these bags is around £100. The committee unsure if this would solve the issue and bags would need to be collected and it would need to agree where they went.

There are lots of areas that say there are issues. Residents would be responsible for spreading the grit themselves, not sure all of them realise this.

No decision made, this will be discussed again

**E26/054 Update on Carousel at Sutton Hill**

The committee received an update on carousel still being out of use. Cllr White will speak to Telford and Wrekin about this.

**E26/055      Correspondence**

Correspondence has been received from:

1. Friends of Rough Park confirming that the group was going to fold due lack of resident interest.
2. The Village Green group had been in touch with Cllr White at a recent residents meeting. Again, the group is poorly supported by residents and was going to fold. The group have a succession plan for the area, but it felt that the land should be left alone. Cllr Jones agreed to keep an eye on it and report any issues.

**E2/056      Information**

Nothing to report.

**E25/057      Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Environment Committee of Madeley Town Council is scheduled for Monday 9 March 2026 at 6.30 pm at Jubilee House, High Street, Madeley.

Meeting closed at 7.25pm

Signed:

Chair of Environment Committee

Date: