

**MINUTES of the LEISURE & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
WHO MET VITUALLY VIA ZOOM
TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 5.30PM**

PRESENT:

Councillors: M Dutton (Chairman Presiding), G Foortse, J Holdom, P Bucknell,
M. Coates, A. Glynn, P Hannon, J Rockett
Town Clerk: L Jennings
Members of the Public: 1

		Action (initials)
43	TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE No apologies were received	
44	ELECTORS QUESTIONS Virtual Christmas Tree Festival – The Christmas Lights will be switched on, on Saturday 30 th November 2020. The Christmas Tree Festival will run from Thursday 26 th November until Thursday 6 th December 2020. Each day a video will be released on to a special web site which will be: www.christmastreefestival.co.uk A request has been made that the Christmas Lights could be switched on earlier to tie in with the tree festival. This will be investigated. A Christmas Window competition will be organised by the Town Council. The Church are also organising a Christmas tree picture competition which is open to all, especially youngsters and would like a Councillor to be one of the judges. The charities have been asked to provide buckets that will then be place in shops and businesses around the town and then customers will be asked to donate any small change. The proceeds will be shared equally amongst the charities. There will also be a fun trail tied in with the buckets. Agenda for the next meeting will be to discuss the Town Council Christmas Window competition. An email has been received regarding the burial of ashes in the extension of Creak Road Cemetery. Trees will be planted, and a bench sited in memory. As the person was a prominent figure in Fakenham and a had a long history of public service in the town the Council agreed to make an exception and waive any fees.	Clerk
45	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Bucknell declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 2.	
46	MINUTES On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Coates, the minutes of the meeting held on 26 August 2020 were AGREED by all and will be signed by the Chairman when the Council is next able to meet.	
47	Minute 39 (28,144) – Wall at Whitelands – The ivy has been removed by the Groundsmen. The hawthorn tree is not on the Town Council land. This will be left. On the proposition of Cllr Dutton, seconded by Cllr Foortse that the wall does not need any further investigation or rebuilding and that it is not the responsibility of the Town Council. The Clerk will write to the property owners. All in favour that this item is now complete. Minute 39 (29) – Replacement surface next to container at Trap Lane – the Clerk has contacted the Contractor but is still awaiting his quote. The Clerk is approaching other contractors for quotations. Minute 39 (29) – Aldiss Park – Japanese Knotweed – 2 quotations have been received with two very different prices. Another contractor has inspected the area and the Clerk is awaiting his quotation. Minute 33 – Purchase of PA equipment – On the proposition of Cllr Coates, seconded by Cllr Glynn that the Clerk purchases the equipment at an approximate cost £100. All in favour.	Clerk

