

Environment and Community Committee

Pending Log as of 5 March 2023

To **NOTE** the status of the following:

Heading	Detail of outstanding Item
Footpaths	<p>E&C 24.9.19 Further to minute number 39 of the meeting of Full Council held on 14 May 2019;</p> <p><i>‘A report was received in respect of the condition of pathways maintained by South Gloucestershire Council and RESOLVED that the report be submitted to South Gloucestershire Council with the following comments:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>The report evidences that pathways in west and north Yate were seen to have a large amount of litter and are poorly maintained;</i>• <i>Yate Town Council:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <i>would like a greater understanding of South Gloucestershire Council’s maintenance processes for pathways;</i>○ <i>would like any vacant South Gloucestershire Council Street Cleaner post filled;</i>○ <i>would like South Gloucestershire Council to:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>repair tarmac paths where necessary;</i>▪ <i>deep weed / cut back along footpaths where needed;</i>▪ <i>repair the damaged walls alongside footpaths for safety reasons;</i>▪ <i>contact Bromford to take action to repair footpaths on the land they control and to take urgent action to improve the area to the rear of Cranleigh Court shops, in particular the garage blocks which are poorly boarded up, subject to graffiti and rundown.’</i> <p>A response was received and further update is awaited.</p>

Land Transactions

E&C 30.5.23

(Updates chased and received from SGC Officer regularly)

Land Transactions (South Gloucestershire Council)

- Witches Hat – YTC’s lease expired September 2015; in the meantime, YTC continues to manage and maintain as if a lease was in place. A draft lease was received and returned to SGC on 27th March 2023 with comments together with a request for the site to be transferred to Yate Town Council as a Community Asset transfer. (*Update awaited from SGC legal team – 30.8.23*)

- Yate Common – this site is under review with the climate department at SGC, information as follows:

This site is more complicated and so requires more time for options appraisal. Extending the lease to cover the whole site which is what I presume the Town Council are asking for is not available at this time. YTC are welcome to approach again around April 2024 to open discussions if they don’t hear otherwise before then. Until both sites are assessed (NB: Yate Common and land at rear of Ridgewood), I can’t be clear on what if any conditions might be attached to a lease should we decide to lease these sites to the Town Council.

This item remains on hold.

- Land at the rear of Ridgewood Community Centre – SGC has asked YTC to confirm its aspirations for the site and advised that they ‘*may be able to give the Town Council a decision in the next 4 months.*’ A holding response was sent as follows:

YTC has previously advised SGC that we would maintain the area as public open space to protect it as a haven for the various species of wildlife and plants there. We would also look to establish a Friends group with stakeholders such as the neighbouring Ridgewood Community Association.

- RESOLVED at E&C 30.5.23 The Yate Town Council vision be confirmed as follows:

YTC would maintain the area and would protect it as a habitat for the various species of wildlife and plants there. We would also look to establish a Friends group with stakeholders such as the neighbouring Ridgewood Community Association.

- Sunnyside pitches – The lease expired in Sept 2022; in the meantime, YTC continues to manage and maintain as if a lease was in place.

- SGC was also asked if they would consider transferring the freehold. Awaiting response.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pop Inn Café – licence ends December 2026; ○ Renegotiation of the TOCA position (ends July 2023) in terms of YOOSC Ltd being a party to it and YTC being removed. (SGC advise this will be reviewed late September 2023) <p>Meeting due to take place with SGC officers on 14th November 2023</p> <p>Item on Clerks Report 23.1.24:</p> <p>To further NOTE that correspondence has been made to South Gloucestershire Council to request that the below lease negotiations are held off until Spring 2024 when community asset transfer options will be available which may enable freehold transfers;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Witches Hat ● Land at Ridgewood ● Sunnyside pitches ● Yate Common
Public Rights of Way Commons & Greens Sub Committee	<p>Minutes of 7.11.23</p> <p>An update has been requested from the South Gloucestershire Public Rights of Way Officer in respect of the unauthorised tarmac strip leading to LYA40 which was not agreed by planners but installed by developers.</p>