

Chalfont St Peter Parish Council

OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE



Terms of Reference

Revised: 13 January 2020

Committee Constitution

Refer to Standing Orders

Aims

To improve and enhance the street scene and green spaces within the Parish to generate a more healthy, pleasing and enjoyable environment for the benefit of residents and visitors, within set budget values.

To make decisions with consideration at all times to the wishes of the residents through working with residents and community organisations, as well as to the requirements of the natural environment

To provide the opportunities and facilities to encourage outdoor activities for all ages but especially children through adventure and play equipment.

Scope

1. To implement a comprehensive phased plan for cost effective maintenance and management of open spaces focusing first on Gold Hill Common and Austenwood Common and the Riverside Nature Reserve.
2. To implement a playgrounds strategy for recreational equipment at the playgrounds of Gold Hill Common, Cheena Meadow, Boundary Road and Mill Meadow and to initiate appropriate renovations.
3. To encourage community ownership of the public open spaces through community participation.
4. To promote a pleasant street scene throughout the village, in liaison with other organisations.
5. To identify and propose to Council environmental projects to be undertaken, either alone or in partnership with other groups.
6. To identify funding streams from outside bodies to enable projects to be fulfilled.
7. To investigate and promote planting schemes within the Parish to improve the environment and to identify opportunities for biodiversity
8. To ensure all projects are fully compliant with the Parish Council's Financial Regulations and Financial Risk Assessment
9. To recommend to Finance Committee changes to the fees charged for and management of the allotments, grazing field, Garden of Rest and events on Commons.
10. To develop, implement and maintain the Heritage Plaque walk including the map.