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Minutes of the **Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee** held on **Monday 19 July 2021**, following Planning & General Works Committee at Egerton Hall.

Present: Cllrs Baker, Butler, Cartmell, Judd, Kew, Langford, Thompson, Tiller, E Wiltshire, Young.

Officers: Town Clerk (A Moses), Deputy Town Clerk (K Hale) and Operations Manager (M Stopps)

130/21 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Sharps.

Absent – Cllr Barrie

131/21 **Declaration of interest**

None.

132/21 **Public participation**

Jenny's Pond item 134/21

The Friends of Jenny's Pond are against the recommendation in the report. The area is well used by residents, as is the mud kitchen. The RoSPA report mentioned that vegetation should be cut back round the pond and they agree. They also agree that the mud kitchen should be on level ground. The group indicated that they have been disappointed with a lack of communication with Town Council. The volunteer group would be happy to work with Brackley Town Council in the future.

Resident – was surprised by the recommendation in the report. He had received 3 emails from residents that are strongly in favour of keeping the mud kitchen. He mentioned that the volunteers have done a good job. The areas has been particularly important during lockdown and has been excellent as a home learning space.

133/21 **Approval of minutes**

On the proposition of Cllr E Wiltshire, it was **RESOLVED** to:

approve the minutes of the previous meeting of the Direct Responsibilities and General Purposes Committee held on Monday 5 July 2021.

134/21 **Jenny's Pond**

Members discussed the report at length and on the proposition of Cllr Cartmell, it was **RESOLVED** to:

accept the recommendation contained in the report to council and remove the mud kitchen at Jenny's Pond.

Brackley Town Council will consider another location for a mud kitchen.

135/21 Memorial Bench at Egerton Fields

On the proposition of Cllr Butler, it was **RESOLVED** to:

To agree to the installation of a memorial bench at Egerton Fields Park and agree with the family's suggestion of position.

136/21 Matters for information or discussion

Cllr Thompson – relocation of the mud kitchen will be added to the next Direct Responsibilities meeting in September.

Meeting closed at: 20:09

Signed:

Dated:

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