



17 January 2019

ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY TASK GROUP – 24 JANUARY 2019

A meeting of the Access for People with a Disability Task Group will be held at 6pm on Thursday 24 January 2019 in Committee Room 1 at the Town Hall, Rugby.

Adam Norburn
Executive Director

A G E N D A

PART 1 – PUBLIC BUSINESS

1. Minutes – to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2018.
2. Apologies – to receive apologies for absence from the meeting.
3. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of:

(a) non-pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors;

(b) pecuniary interests as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors; and

(c) notice under Section 106 Local Government Finance Act 1992 – non-payment of Community Charge or Council Tax.

Note: Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their interests at the commencement of the meeting (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a pecuniary interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

Membership of Warwickshire County Council or any Parish Council is classed as a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

4. Discussion with external witnesses and consideration of feedback and evidence received (consultation letter attached).
5. Dates of future meetings – please bring your diaries to the meeting.

PART 2 – EXEMPT INFORMATION

There is no business involving exempt information.

Membership of the group:

Councillors Mrs A'Barrow (Chair), Mrs Bragg, Douglas, Mrs Garcia, Leigh Hunt, Keeling and Mrs O'Rourke

If you have any general queries with regard to this agenda please contact Linn Ashmore, Democratic Services Officer (01788 533522 or e-mail linn.ashmore@rugby.gov.uk). Any specific queries concerning reports should be directed to the listed contact officer.

If you wish to attend the meeting and have any special requirements for access please contact the Democratic Services Officer named above.



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Date 9 January 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

Review of Access for People with a Disability

Councillors from Rugby Borough Council are carrying out a scrutiny review on the facilities for disabled people and access for people with disabilities to council-owned or run buildings, open spaces or parks. The Council's current work programmes aspire to provide safe and accessible environments for all including people with physical, sensory and cognitive impairments to allow greater independence and enjoyment wherever this is possible within the resources available. The review will consider the current inclusive approach.

As part of the review members of the task group would like to hear about your experiences, good and bad, and would like to invite you to attend a meeting of the task group at 6pm on 24th January 2019 in Committee Room 1 at the Town Hall.

If you are unable to attend, councillors would still like to hear from you and you are invited to forward your comments or feedback, based on the following questions to the Democratic Services team by email to democraticservices@rugby.gov.uk

Questions

Question 1 - Have you experienced any problems trying to access council-owned facilities or services?

Question 2 - Could you describe your experiences of council run facilities, parks or open spaces and whether these have been good or bad?

Question 3 - Please list your top three comments relating to good or bad feedback or experience.

A list of the buildings owned or run by Rugby Borough Council is set out below for your information.

Buildings

- The Town Hall
- Rainsbrook Crematorium
- Queen's Diamond Jubilee Leisure Centre
- The Benn Hall
- The Old Tool Shed Café
- Rugby Art Gallery Museum
- Toilets – North Street and Caldecott Park

Rugby Borough Council, Town Hall, Evreux Way, Rugby CV21 2RR
Telephone: (01788) 533533 Email: contact.centre@rugby.gov.uk

You may also have some feedback you can share with councillors on relevant services that the council is responsible for which include:

- Licensing of taxis
- Adaptations for council owned housing
- Council housing, supported and sheltered housing

Please let us know in advance if you are able to attend the meeting by contacting:

Linn Ashmore

Democratic Services Officer

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The outcome of the review will be a report of the task group's findings to the Whittle Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The task group is unable to make any final decisions about any changes to facilities or make any decisions which have budgetary implications.

For further information, a list of the parks and open spaces owned and/or managed by Rugby Borough Council is attached.

Yours faithfully

Linn Ashmore

Democratic Services Officer

On behalf of Councillor Mrs A'Barrow

Chair of the Task Group

Nature Areas	Parks
<p>Avon Walk Cock Robin Wood Great Central Walk (runs from Newton Village to Onley Lane) Linnell Road Open Space Newbold Quarry Park Newton Lane Picnic Site Rugby Diamond Wood Swift Valley Country Park</p>	<p>Alwyn Road Recreation Ground Assheton Recreation Ground Avon Mill Recreation Ground</p> <p>Caldecott Park Cawston neighbourhood play area Centenary Park Coton Park GEC Recreation Ground Jubilee Gardens Hillmorton Recreation Ground Millennium Green Percival Guildhouse Gardens Whinfield Recreation Ground Whitehall Recreation Ground</p>
Car Parks	
<p>Chestnut Field car park Evreux Way car park (Town Hall) Gas Street car park John Barford multi storey car park Little Church Street car park Newbold Road car park North Street car park Old Market Place car park Railway Terrace car park Westway car park</p>	

Open Spaces	Play Areas
<p>Addison Road Recreation Ground Apple Grove Open Space Ashlawn Recreation Ground Avon Park Bilton Village Greens Boughton Road Picnic Site Boughton Road Recreation Ground Brooklime Drive Open Space Burnside Open Space Calvestone Park Open Space Charwelton Drive Open Space Chestnut Fields Clifton Links Open Space Consul Road Open Space Cornwallis Road Open Space Criss Cross Park Crowthorns Open Space Diamond Jubilee Wood Donkey Paddock Dunchurch Heath Open Space Freemantle Road Recreation Ground Hillmorton Village Greens Jubilee Recreation Ground Lea Crescent Open Space Linnell Road Open Space New Bilton Recreation Ground Newbold Glebe Recreation Ground Newbold Recreation Ground Rokeby Open Space</p>	<p>Alwyn Road Recreation Ground Aqua Place Assheton Recreation Ground Avon Mill Recreation Ground Bawnmore Road Play Area Bilton Pavilions Brindley Road Park Brooklime Drive Open Space Brownsover Road Recreation Ground Caldecott Park Calvestone Park Open Space Cawston neighbourhood play area Charwelton Drive Open Space Clifton Links Open Space Crowthorns Open Space Dewar Grove Park Dickens Road Park East Union Street Recreation Ground Freemantle Road Recreation Ground Frobisher Road Park GEC Recreation Ground Glaramara Close Play Area Heath Way Park Hillmorton Recreation Ground King George V Field Lennon Close Play Area Millennium Green New Bilton Recreation Ground Oakfield Recreation Ground</p>
<p>Rokeby Sports Ground</p> <p>St. Andrew's Church St. Andrew's Gardens St. Michael's and All Angel's Church Newbold Recreation Ground Rokeby Open Space Rokeby Sports Ground St. Andrew's Church St. Andrew's Gardens St. Michael's and All Angel's Church</p>	<p>Queen's Diamond Jubilee Centre and Athletics Track Rokeby Open Space Shortstones Walk and Play Area Turchil Road Play Area Waterside Drive Play Area Whinfield Recreation Ground Woodlands Park</p>