MINUTES OF THE ASSET MANAGEMENT AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING OF EASTLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 02 DECEMBER 2025 AT 7:00 PM AT CABLEWORKS BUILDING, TINNING WAY, EASTLEIGH.

Those Present: Cllr G Richardson (Chair), Cllr T Campbell, Cllr E Marks, Cllr L Sheppard and Cllr A Clifton.

In Attendance: R Davies, Town Clerk
N Barfield, Deputy Town Clerk
T Nash, Assets and Open Space Officer

47 / 25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED: that the council received and approved the apologies for the reasons stated for Cllr P Bicknell and Cllr C Spencer

Apologies from Cllr J Constable were received after the meeting and will be presented at the next meeting for review and approval.

48 / 25 REGISTER OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

There were no declarations of interest regarding items on the agenda received.

49 / 25 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 15 October 2025 are a true record of the meeting with the following amendment:
Those present:
Cllr P Bicknell was in attendance.

The committee received updates on the following:

39 / 25 EVENTS

ACTION: Officers to post information about community stalls on the Council's social media channels.

Information about the community stalls was posted on the Council's social media channels.

40 / 25 EASTLEIGH ALLOTMENTS

ACTION: The Deputy Clerk and Allotment Officer to provide further information regarding the removal of electricity, including how mitigation measures will be put in place to ensure health and safety.

The Deputy Clerk has provided further information to those who made representations regarding the removal of electricity and confirmed that mitigation measures will be put in place to ensure health and safety.

ACTION: The Allotment Officer to ensure site representatives are informed of asset committee dates when decisions affecting the allotments are to be made.

The Allotment Officer will notify site representatives of the Asset Committee dates when decisions affecting the allotments are scheduled to be made.

50 / 25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

One member of the public was present but chose not to speak. There were no questions from councillors on matters not included on the agenda.

51 / 25 CABLEWORKS

51 / 25 / 1 The Committee **received** an **update** on the usage of the Community Hall, including the potential upcoming booking of the hall by a pre-school.
A councillor asked how the first Warm Hub on Monday 1 December 2025 had gone. The Committee was advised that the event went well and received positive feedback. It was noted that higher attendance is hoped for at the next session.

52 / 25 EVENTS

52 / 25 / 1 The Committee **received** an **update** on the Christmas event. The footfall monitor recorded 29,000 attendees, marking one of the highest ever attendances, with very positive feedback received from residents. Trading was highly successful, and no major incidents were reported. The Committee was pleased to note that valuable lessons had been learned, which will help make next year's event even more successful.

53 / 25 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

RESOLVED: That the committee exclude the public and press for the discussion due to information which is of a confidential nature.

54 / 25 COMMUNITY ASSET PROGRAMME

The Committee **received** an **update** on the community asset programme and the status of the transfers

55 / 25 BUDGET 2026 / 2027

The Committee **received** and **discussed** the proposed Asset budget for 2026 / 2027

56 / 25 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION TO END

RESOLVED: That the committee invite the public and press back into the meeting.

57 / 25 COMMUNITY ASSET PROGRAMME

57 / 25 / 1 The Committee **received** and

RESOLVED: to **unanimously approve** the officer recommendation to rescind the request in principle for HP224028 and HP806882, as Eastleigh Borough Council is currently unable to fulfil these requests.

57 / 25 / 2 The Committee **received information** and

RESOLVED: to **unanimously approve** that the Clerk is authorised to negotiate the mitigation payment as per the information provided, with Eastleigh Borough Council in relation to HP645232.

58 / 25 BUDGET 2026 / 2027

The Committee received the proposed budget and thanked the officers for their diligent work in preparing it and

RESOLVED: To **approve** the proposed Asset budget for 2026/2027 for submission to the Policy and Finance Committee **on 10 December 2025.**

59 / 25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed the date of the next meeting is scheduled for the 21 January 2026.
The Meeting closed at 8:25 pm

Chair .....
Date .....