ENCLOSURE 6

Report to Kenilworth Town Council

Cherry Orchard

The Council is pleased to finally receive the revised management plan for this important site from Warwickshire County Council. A copy of the plan is available for members to look at.

The plan sets out maintenance and enhancement objectives to improve the biodiversity of the site but without a detailed plan of timescales and responsibilities. It also does not address the issue of what public access might be allowed – restricted, permissive or open – nor how the gates and entrances might be managed and controlled. Without further information it is difficult to consider how volunteers might be engaged in managing the site. Members of the public using the site informally as they do at the moment are also at risk due to the uncertainty of the status.

With the approval of the Council I therefore propose to respond to WCC asking that these outstanding concerns be addressed so that a full plan can be developed to manage the site for biodiversity and amenity for the people of Kenilworth.

Cllr James Kennedy
27th February 2025