

## **Use of drones prohibited on council owned land**

Following an upsurge in usage of drones on council owned recreation grounds and public open spaces, the Town Council has resolved that the flying of drones on council owned land for recreational or commercial purposes be prohibited.

The reasons for this decision are:

- The close proximity of many of our sites to neighbouring residential and business properties and the potential risk of causing alarm, distress or harassment to occupants
- The proximity to commercial aircraft flight paths cause potential danger to the safety of aircraft
- Potential risk of accidents, injury to other site users or property as a result of use
- Granting permission could leave the Town Council liable for subsequent actions brought about by drone activity when operated from land under our ownership

Exceptions will only be considered where usage of a drone device helps reduce risk in the workplace, i.e. working at height, building survey work, etc.