

MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM 14

COMMITTEE REPORT

COUNCIL MEETING

11 MAY 2016

RENAMING OF STANTON WOOD

Monitoring Officer

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To consider a request, received from Stainton and Thornton Parish Council, to rename Stainton Wood as "Maelor's Wood".

BACKGROUND

2. Members will recall the sudden and unexpected death of Councillor Maelor Williams shortly before last year's elections; tributes were paid to him at the Council meeting of 25 March 2015.
3. Subsequently, Stainton and Thornton Parish Council has approached Middlesbrough Council to seek the formal renaming of Stainton Wood in his memory. The wood is owned by Middlesbrough Council and Councillor Williams, as a governor of Tees Forest, helped plant the wood in the late 1990s.
4. A formal request has been submitted, and approval for the proposed change is now sought from Middlesbrough Council.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

6. It is recommended that:
 - a) Members consider the request from Stainton and Thornton Parish Council; and
 - b) Agree to rename Stainton Wood as "Maelor's Wood" with immediate effect.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

7. None.

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