

## HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committees

7.30pm on Tuesday 14 June 2021 at Hathersage Memorial Hall

**Present:** Councillors Jane Marsden (Chair), Emily Abbey, Bridget Hanley, Tim Hill, Rosie Olle, Heather Rodgers, Peter Rowland

**In Attendance:** Maura Sorensen (Assistant Clerk)

015/21 To note apologies for absence – Cllrs Sara Furness and James Marsden.

016/21 To decide any variation in the order of business - none.

017/21 Public participation.

018/21 Declaration of interests.

019/21 Confirmation of minutes of the joint meeting of the Amenities and Recreation Committees held on 18 May 2021 – **confirmed**

#### **Recreation Committee matters**

020/21 **Hard Play Area (MUGA)**

- .1 **Maintenance, repairs or any other matters to bring to the committee's attention:** an update on the MUGA surface and any maintenance/repairs needed. Cllrs Jane Marsden and Heather Rodgers had undertaken an inspection and noted some wear and tear. ***Clerk to liaise with Abacus (the original contractor) and arrange for them to undertake a site survey.***

021/21 **Playing Field and Playground**

- .1 [NALC guidance on Covid management of playgrounds](#): this remains as a standard agenda item, for the time being, for reference.
- .2 **Maintenance, repairs and any other matters to bring to the committee's attention:**
  - **Noted** the most recent Alliance Environmental equipment inspection. Noted the 'B' ratings on the climbing frame (wooden legs are rotting) and on chain walk/monkey bars (cracks in the wooden post) – these are the items in most urgent need to attention. Noted reference to woodchip bark under the swings needing either topping up or raking - ***Cllr Marsden to liaise with Redwood.***
  - **Overhanging, broken tree branch:** tree sited in garden of property on Back Lane - snapped but still attached ***Clerk to ask contractor (Treefellas) to urgently attend/address.*** Property owners to be invoiced for the work.
- .3 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA):** noted a meeting had been scheduled last Friday but no HPFA members attended although apologies had been received; another meeting to be scheduled. The Clerk confirmed Emma Magenty has stepped down as an HPFA member but is willing to support fundraising initiatives, where she can. Cllr Rodgers referenced funding – noted award of a £2K equipment grant; other funding bids in progress; approx. £10K held by HPFA; and drawdown from HPC reserves. ***Agenda item for July full Council – further funding for playground equipment.*** Noted the plan to address different areas of the playground according to need – with an initial focus on new equipment for the toddler area. Cllr Rodgers confirmed a further meeting with an equipment provider, later in June. Cllrs discussed fundraising, referencing past fundraising efforts. Suggestions included:
  - asking for the support of Jumblies
  - online initiatives e.g. crowdfunding; Just Giving; Go Fund Me
  - holding events – trail-and-garden-refreshments; treasure hunts; garage sales – further consideration to be given at the joint HPC/HPFA meeting *with/considered by HPFA*
- .4 **New play and exercise equipment:** noted this had been addressed under 021/21.3. Cllr Marsden noted new adult exercise equipment installed at Bradwell, if Cllrs wanted to go and view it.

022/21 **Welcome Back Fund**

- .1 **Open air cinema:** an update on planning including liaison with companies/providers. Noted Cllrs Hill and Rodgers were meeting with CH Events on 16 June to discuss details of staging a cinema event at the playing field. Noted a date had been identified – Saturday 25 September

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(evening); Cllrs suggested looking at bringing the date forward – Cllrs Hill and Rodgers to discuss with CH Events. Other details will need to be confirmed e.g. film licensing/costs; ticketing; provision of refreshments. Although no charge will be made, Cllrs suggested it would be an opportunity to share details of plans for new playground equipment and ask for donations.

The Clerk noted a formal Temporary Event Notice (£21.00) will need to be submitted to DCC a minimum of 10 days in advance of the event along with a Covid risk assessment.

Cllr Hill suggested convening a small group to consider film titles. Consideration to be given to age-related film ratings.

- .2 **Music event:** noted WBF funding can be used to put on a music event. Cllrs suggested using the pool bandstand, on a weekend afternoon. Cllr Olle to liaise with some local musicians about their availability, and charges.

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**Bowling Green**

- .1 **Confidential:** access to the bowling green. Noted further correspondence received from the solicitor acting on behalf of HPC.

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**Amenities Committee matters**

- .1 **Stepping Stones: noted** a response from DCC on repairs. Cllr Marsden referenced the possible donation of community volunteer hours via the contractor for the Northern Rail Hope Valley Capacity Scheme – and the possibility of using those hours to do further work around the stepping stones crossing. Cllrs noted the need to navigate planning permissions with a number of bodies to undertake any significant work.
- .2 **Heart of Hathersage (HoH): noted** the wooden millstone and a plaque celebrating the PDNP 70<sup>th</sup> birthday are now in place. ***Clerk to write note of thanks to Bernard Madden, noting how well the wooden millstone looks alongside the new planters.***
- .3 **DDDC (social distancing) flower display: noted** the planters are now in place. Daily watering is needed in dry, hot weather; Cllr Rodgers has been organising a rota. Cllrs noted logistical difficulties in involving volunteers beyond HPC Cllrs and staff e.g. in arranging access to the toilet store room.
- .4 **HoH Toilets:** maintenance and repairs – **noted** both the Clerk and the RFO have raised queries re the contractor's most recent invoice; the invoice remains unpaid, pending a response. Cllr Hill referenced cistern maintenance arrangements noting no further word from Wallgate. Cllrs suggested liaison with some local contractors re whether they would be able to take on maintenance. ***Cllr Hill to liaise with local contractors.***
- .5 **Covid lockdown measures:** no specific update.
- .6 **Leases - Butchers Car Park:** Cllrs Marsden and Rodgers noted a meeting to be scheduled at the site with the solicitor and one of the signatories to the current lease to clarify details of site ownership and sub-letting of car parking space ***Clerk to liaise with the solicitor. Leases – Hathersage Booth Clerk to check with solicitor that all lessees have signed the new lease.***
- .7 **Burial Ground: noted** recent site visit undertaken – Clerk to follow up with correspondence to relevant parties re maintenance issues.

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Clerk's Report/Correspondence – nothing additional.

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**Items for next meeting:**

- Millenium Tree Plaques – new plaque to be mounted on stone plinth – noted some previous liaison with a potential contractor – suggested possibly approaching another contractor
- Queen's 2022 Jubilee and tree-planting – consideration to be given to potential sites – thoughts on potential sites, and planting, were shared

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**Any other business:** Cllr Hill referenced further work on the playing field wall – noted contractor Malcolm Hall will schedule this in due course. Parking – Cllr Marsden noted this was an item for the Transport Committee but highlighted the need to push ahead with serious consideration of additional parking provision in Hathersage including liaison with DCC Highways. Suggested DCC Cllr Alasdair Sutton may be able to support HPC with this. Noted the next meeting of the Transport Committee is on 27 July.

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To confirm the date and time of the next meeting – Tuesday 20 July 2021 7.30pm.

Meeting ended at 9.30pm

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