

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Recreation, Amenities and Burial Ground Committees

Joint Meeting

21 February 2023

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Jane Marsden (Chair), Heather Rodgers, Tim Hill, Peter Rowland, Sara Furniss, James Marsden, and Bridget Hanley
In Attendance: Kathyne Fraser (Assistant Clerk)

- 108/23 **Apologies for absence** – Rosie Olle
- 109/23 **Order of business** - no variation
- 110/23 **Public participation** - no members of the public were present
- 111/23 **Declaration of interests** – none
- 112/23 **Minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2023** – the minutes were **confirmed** and **signed**.
It was **agreed** to circulate minutes of these meetings to the Leisure Facilities Officer and Pool
Operations Manager.
- 113/23 **Recreation Committee matters:**
- .1 **Hard Play Area (MUGA)**
- (a) It was **agreed** to continue monitoring the condition of the playing surface.
- (b) Cllr Peter Rowland reported that the door to the electrical box facing the swimming
 pool is missing and he will re-fix the door, with Cllr James Marsden, once it has been
 located.
- [Action: Cllrs Rowland and Marsden]
- .2 **Playing Field and Playground:**
- (a) **Alliance Environmental Services February 2023 Report** – Cllrs **received** the Report
 and **noted** that areas of concern highlighted in the report were being addressed with
 the installation of new play equipment and so no further action was required.
- (b) **New play equipment** – it was **noted** that the new play equipment is due to be
 installed on 20 March 2023 and take around 9 days to be completed. Cllrs **agreed** to
 pay £375 to Playdale Playgrounds Ltd to arrange a post-construction independent
 inspection. Redwood Landscapes will be asked to lay new bark prior to the
 inspection [Action: Assistant Clerk]
- (c) **Inspections of play equipment** – it was **agreed** to obtain further information on the
 need for an annual inspection in addition to the regular operational inspections
 carried out by Alliance Environmental Services.
 [Action: Cllr Rodgers and Assistant Clerk]
- (d) **Re-pointing playing field wall** – it was **noted** that Nick Howarth has re-pointed the
 wall.
- (e) **PSPO signs** – it was **noted** that the new PSPO signs have all now been erected and Cllr
 Hill was thanked for doing this.
- .3 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention**
- (a) **Disabled toilet door** – it was **noted** that Abbeydale DIY had not submitted a quote
 and Cllr Hill is arranging for another company to make the new door [Action: Cllr Hill]
- (b) **Toilet heating and ventilation** – Cllrs **agreed** not to install heating in the public toilets,
 but Cllr Hill will consult CJ Schofield about adding heating wires around the pipes to
 prevent them freezing in winter. Enquiries about improving ventilation will also be
 made [Action: Cllr Hill]

- (c) **Efflorescence** – Cllr Hill reported that he had treated the internal wall to prevent water ingress but there needed to be more time, and wet weather, to assess its impact.
- (d) **HoH lighting** – it was **agreed** to check lighting as the trip socket may have been activated when the Christmas tree lights were being used *[Action: Cllr Hill]*
- (e) **Motorbike parking** – Cllrs **agreed** that motorbikes parking on the Heart of Hathersage at weekends was a problem but imposing practical barriers was difficult; the current ‘no parking’ signs will be placed across the area to act as a deterrent *[Action: Assistant Clerk & Cllrs]*
- (f) **Heart of Hathersage Litter** – it was **agreed** to review the village caretaker’s cleaning route to ensure that the areas on the main road are prioritised *[Action: Clerk]*

.4 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA)** – there were no matters to report.

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Confidential - Bowling Green and access – Cllrs **noted** the decision of full Council at its last meeting.

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Amenities Committee matters:

.1 **Resetting of steps** – it was **noted** that Abbeycliffe are expected to begin the work towards the end of April 2023.

.2 **Grit Bins Ownership**

DCC’s detailed grit bin report, was received and the following matters **noted**:

- (a) Grit bin at Heather Lane business park is the responsibility of HPC; DCC will be informed
- (b) Grit Bin GB0222 at Jagers Lane is broken and will be reported to DCC
- (c) Grit bin GB5063 at Church Bank needs to be levelled, which Cllr Hill has agreed to organise
- (d) Grit Bin in the car park is assumed to belong to DDDC and this needs to be confirmed
- (e) It was decided not to request any filling of the grit bins at this time of year to avoid the contents setting hard over the summer

Cllr Hanley was thanked for her work in preparing a comprehensive and well-documented record of all the village grit bins.

.3 **Greenstone and Ivy Commissions** – it was **noted** that the work has been promised to be completed before the end of spring 2023.

.4 **Parish lands tree survey**

- (a) Following the decision of full Council to require further quotations for the tree inspection, it was **noted** that enquiries are being made from an approved list of tree specialists recommended by the Peak Park.
- (b) It was **agreed** to restrict the inspection to trees on public lands owned by the Parish Council. These are:
 - Playing Fields
 - MUGA area
 - Butcher’s car park

.5 **King’s Coronation** –

- (a) Cllrs **agreed** that they hoped the village can celebrate the coronation informally. There will be an open planning meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 2 March in the Scotsman Pack (back room) – which will be advertised on Facebook and around the village. Events to be considered:-
 - Saturday 6 May Memorial Hall screening of coronation (if possible)
 - Sunday 7 May picnic in the playing fields
 - Monday 8 May volunteering event (tbc)
- (b) Cllr Jane Marsden **agreed** to approach the Peak Park to enquire if they might wish to organise an event on Stanage.
- (c) Once arrangements have been finalised, they will be publicised on the Parish Council’s website and Facebook page *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.6 **Defibrillator training** – Cllrs **agreed** to support the training offered by Ian Weeks and to include training on use of the proposed emergency bleed kits offered by the Police Licensing

Officer and to promote the training to local groups. The Lawrence Hall was suggested as a suitable venue [Action: Clerk]

.7 **Heart of Hathersage Church Event** – it was noted that the prayer event will take place on Sunday 28 May 2023 between 12.00 and 17.00

.8 **Plant Swap** – the next Plant Swap is scheduled for Saturday 27 May 2023 and organisers have requested using the Heart of Hathersage [Action: Clerk]

.9 **Flagpole** – it was **agreed** to consider placing a flagpole in the HoH, near to the Vets, subject to researching the presence of any underground utilities [Action: Clerk]

.10 **Platinum Jubilee Commemorative Tree (Queen’s Canopy Green Scheme)** – it was **noted** that the tree planting has been re-scheduled for 3.30pm Sunday 5th March 2023, with Cllr Shuttleworth planting the tree in his official capacity as Deputy Lord Lieutenant.

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Burial Ground Committee matters:

.1 **Burial Ground Maintenance** – the quote of £350 (+vat) from Redwood Landscapes to undertake remedial works to graves was **approved**.

.2 **Memorial Benches** – a recent request to place a memorial bench near Stanage was referred to the Peak Park. Cllrs discussed the current arrangements for benches on Parish lands and **noted** that space is now extremely limited and therefore difficult to accommodate requests for new memorial benches. Concern was expressed at the placing of memorial benches in the Burial Ground, without permission, and it was **agreed** to include a reminder of the need to obtain prior approval on the new planned noticeboard.

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Clerk’s Report/Correspondence – there were no items of business to note.

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Next meeting - Tuesday 18 April 2023 at 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall