

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Recreation, Amenities and Burial Ground Committees 18 April 2023

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs Jane Marsden (Chair), Heather Rodgers, Bridget Hanley, Tim Hill, James Marsden, Peter Rowland.
In attendance: Kathryn Fraser (Assistant Clerk)

- 129/23 **Apologies** were **received** and **noted** from Cllrs Sara Furness and Rosie Olle
- 130/23 **Order of business** – no variation
- 131/23 **Public participation** – none
- 132/23 **Declaration of interests** – none
- 133/23 **Minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2023** – minutes were **confirmed** and **signed** by the Chair
- 134/23 **Recreation Committee matters**
- .1 **Playing Field and Playground:**
- (a) **New play equipment**
- The new play equipment has been installed and bark chippings laid, with Cllrs **agreeing** (retrospectively) to the urgent and essential hire of a digger at a cost of up to £300 to move the large quantities of bark to the site.
 - Playdale are to return and lower the basket swing.
 - The independent post-installation inspection will be done the week commencing 24 April 2023, following which the security fencing will be removed and the playground opened to the public.
 - Redwood Landscapes will be asked to repair the damaged grass verges in time for the Coronation [Action: Cllr H Rodgers]
 - Hathersage School Year 6 pupils will be invited to officially open the playground (at a later date) in recognition of their work choosing the playground equipment. [Action: Cllr B Hanley]
 - Unfortunately, graffiti has already appeared on the new equipment and will be removed [Action: Assistant Clerk]
 - Volunteers are to be invited, via a Facebook post, to paint the existing slide and swings in racing green; Cllr P Rowland will advise on preparation and paint requirements [Action: Assistant Clerk and Cllr P Rowland]
- .2 **Playground Inspections**
- (a) **Alliance Environmental Services Operational Inspection Report March 2023** – the Report was **received**, and it was **noted** that issues of concern highlighted had either been removed (wooden tower) or replaced (swing seats).
 - (b) **Alliance Environmental Services** - Cllrs **approved** the new playground operational inspection Service Level Agreement (£920.86 + VAT) for 2023/24. [Action: Responsible Finance Officer]
 - (c) **Annual Playground Inspections** – it was **agreed** to arrange an additional, annual independent inspection of the playground and equipment. [Action: Assistant Clerk]
 - (d) **Visual inspections** – the playing field risk assessment was reviewed, and it was **agreed** to amend the frequency of visual inspections to ‘regular’ and to include this task as part of other routine maintenance matters [Action: Clerk]
- .3 **Hard Play Area (MUGA)** – it was **noted** that regular users are being informed of the fee increases [Action: Leisure Facilities Officer]

.4 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA)** – it was **noted** that the group will be involved in the Hathersage Gala *[Action: Cllr B Hanley]*

.5 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention** – there were no additional matters for consideration.

Amenities Committee matters

.1 **Confidential - Bowling Green and access** – a confidential minute of the discussion was made.

.2 **Grit Bins**

(a) **Grit Bin Levelling at Church Bank** – it was agreed to **approve** Nick Howarth Landscaping’s quote of £216 to build a level platform for the grit bin.

(b) **Grit Bin School Lane** – it was **agreed** to purchase one Glasdon grit bins (Nestor heavy duty 400) at a cost of £228.20 for School Lane (subject to Highways approval), and two Glasdon grit bins (Slimline at a cost of £179.72 each) for Ranmoor Lane and the bottom of Jagers Road *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.3 **Heart of Hathersage**

(a) **Disabled toilet door replacement** – order has been placed with Pennine Woodworking

(b) **Toilet heating and ventilation** – orders have been placed with CJ Electrical

(c) **Toilets and vets exterior wood repainting (doors and windows)** – it was **agreed** to request a quote from two different painter and decorators (R Bloor and H Woolley) as HPC is still awaiting a quote to be submitted from D Garton. It was **noted** that R Bloor is a close relative of Cllr M Bloor. As Cllr M Bloor is not a member of Amenities Committee and will not be involved at all in the consideration of the quotes nor awarding the contract, Cllrs were satisfied that the conflict of interest had been managed. *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

(d) **Heart of Hathersage Garden** – it was **agreed** to ask K Wood to be the new gardener. *[Action: Clerk]*

.4 **Greenstone and Ivy Commissions** – it was **noted** that the commissions are being progressed.

.5 **Parish lands tree survey** – it was **noted** the tree survey will be undertaken before the end of April 2023.

.6 **PSPO controls** – DDDC’s Community and Environment Services monitoring and reporting arrangements were **noted**.

.7 **King’s Coronation**

(a) **Hathersage Girlguiding Great Guide Coronation Clean-Up (29 April)** – the event was **noted**

(b) **Volunteer project to plant path to village from car park** – it was **agreed** to add ongoing maintenance of the path to the Redwood contract *[Action: Clerk]*

(c) **Event schedule** – it was **noted** that bells will be rung in the villages of Castleton and Bamford (9am), Hope and Hathersage (10am) on the night of the Coronation; a full programme is being printed.

.8 **Defibrillator Training** – discussions with Ian Weeks to arrange and promote a training event for the village are in progress *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.9 **Outdoor Film Show** – it was **agreed** not to proceed with organising an outdoor film show due to the financial risks of it being weather dependent and neither Hathersage Film Club nor the Gala organisers were interested in collaborating with the Parish Council to organise an event.

.10 **King George Field Signage** – it was **noted** that three quotes for the contract are being sought *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.11 **Permanent Flag Pole** – it was **noted** that PDNPA had confirmed that planning permission was not required to erect a permanent flag pole in the village. Funding to support the project is being sought from Breedons. It was **agreed** to proceed with the cost of £170 for a specialist company to do a site visit for the installation of a fibreglass flagpole. *[Action: Cllr Jane Marsden]*

.12 **Hathersage Bowling Club**

(a) **Storage Shed** – Cllrs had no objection to replacing the current shed with a larger shed to store more equipment but will advise the Bowling Club to make enquiries with PDNPA

as to whether planning permission will be required before installation. *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

(b) **Path to Roslyn Road** – Cllrs requested more information before considering the proposal. *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.13 **CCTV**

(a) **Service and maintenance** – Cllrs **approved** expenditure of £984 to MYTEC for the recent service and maintenance improvements *[Action: Responsible Finance Officer]*

(b) **System Review** – it was **agreed** to review the current system *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.14 **Overgrown Hedges** – it was **noted** that overgrown hedges on unadopted roads are not the responsibility of the Parish Council. Residents will be reminded in the autumn to cut back overgrown hedges (outside of the bird nesting season).

.15 **Outseats Footpath 36** – it was **agreed** to seek the views of the residents who owned the stone arch over the footpath. *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

.16 **Heart of Hathersage Keys** – it was **agreed** to cut a new set of keys. *[Action: Cllr Hill]*

.17 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee's attention** - there were no additional matters for consideration.

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Burial Ground Committee matters:

.1 **Memorial Bench**

(i) a request for a memorial bench and plaque in the Burial Ground was **rejected** due to there being no local connection to Hathersage.

(ii) Cllrs reviewed and made several suggested changes to the existing policy for memorial benches, which will be incorporated and published on the Parish Council website following final approval. *[Action: Assistant Clerk]*

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Clerk's Report/Correspondence – no items to report.

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Next meeting - Tuesday 16 May at 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall

The meeting closed at 9.55pm

Signed:

Date: