

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Recreation, Amenities and Burial Ground Committees 20 June 2023

Present: Cllrs Jane Marsden (Chair), Heather Rodgers, Tim Hill, James Marsden, Bridget Hanley, Peter Rowland, and Rosie Olle.

In Attendance: Kathyne Fraser (Assistant Clerk)

MINUTES

- 013/23 **Apologies** for absence – none
- 014/23 **Order of business** – Cllrs convened at the Playing Fields to consider the item 019/23(a) New play equipment before moving to the Memorial Hall for the remainder of the meeting.
- 015/23 **Public participation** – none
- 016/23 **Declaration of interests** – none
- 017/23 **Minutes of the meeting held on 23 May 2023** – the minutes of the previous meeting were **confirmed** and signed.
- 018/23 **Committees Merger and Terms of Reference** – Cllrs **agreed** to recommend to full Council that a new Committee – Leisure, Facilities and Amenities – is established to replace the separate Recreation, Amenities and Burial Ground Committees. Subject to a few minor amendments the proposed new Terms of Reference are also recommended to full Council.
- 019/23 **Recreation Committee matters:**
- .1 **Playing Field and Playground**
 - (a) **New play equipment** – Cllrs assessed the installation of the new equipment. Several issues remain outstanding and will be raised with Playdale.
 - (b) **Alliance Environmental Services (AES) June 2022 Report** – Cllrs received the June 2023 Operational Inspection Report. No issues of concern were identified, and AES will be asked to include the new play equipment in the next inspection.
 - (c) **Lottery Funding Logo** – three Community Fund logos will be ordered and placed on the gates at the Playing Field entrances.
 - (d) **Repainting slide, swings, and goalposts** – quotes will be obtained for the work.
 - (e) **Playing Field Gate** – the gate post is decaying but does not require urgent attention but will be added to a ‘winter jobs list’ for a contractor.
 - (f) **Playground** – Cllrs discussed two recent requests for changes to the playground area, notably dogs and fencing. It was felt that the five prominent dog signs were sufficient, and Cllrs Bridget Hanley agreed to speak to the person with a toddler to understand their concerns more.
 - .2 **Grass Mowing** – individual items of expenditure do not require RABG approval as the Parish Council has a maintenance contract with Redwood Landscapes.
 - .3 **Hard Play Area (MUGA)** – only partial information on the MUGA regular users had been provided; Cllr Heather Rodgers will follow up the matter.
 - .4 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA)** – the group is planning a range of Gala events, notably bingo, tombola, and a stall on Gala Day.
 - .5 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention** - none
- 020/23 .6 **Amenities Committee matters:**
- .7 **Confidential - Bowling Green and Access** – a confidential minute was taken.
 - .8 **Pool Path Repairs** – Abbeycliffe have not submitted a quote and it was **agreed** that the works would be divided up into smaller jobs such as installing handrails, fencing etc to be done over the winter. It was **agreed** to find a new contractor to do the work.

- .9 **Heart of Hathersage Garden maintenance** – it was **agreed** to appoint a new gardener (subject to references)
- .10 **Shuttleworth Memorial Path** – Although the gate has been partially repaired, a contractor is being sought to replace the fence.
- .11 **Tree Surgery Tender** – the tender to undertake the management recommendations identified in the tree survey is in progress.
- .12 **Heart of Hathersage**
- (a) **Disabled toilet door replacement** – it was **agreed** to spend £300 to hang the new disabled toilet door
 - (b) **Toilet heating and ventilation** – the new heating and ventilation has been installed, but the heating controls are complex.
 - (c) **Toilets and vets exterior wood repainting** – it was **agreed** to recommend to full Council that Seven Hills is given the painting contract at a cost of £1,300 (materials and labour)
- .13 **Greenstone and Ivy Commissions** – Cllr Tim Hill will continue to liaise with G&I regarding a completion date.
- .14 **Paving area outside chemists** – the Clerk has written a letter which has been emailed to the owners of the land and a response is awaited.
- .15 **Noticeboard and Sign** – no progress to report.
- .16 **Permanent Flag Pole** – the Clerk has arranged for several site visits to assess suitability (at a cost of c. £170) and Cllr Jane Marsden will attend the next site visit at 10am on 21 July 2023.
- .17 **Hathersage Bowling Green Storage Shed and Path** – no updates to report.
- .18 **Outseats Footpath 36** – Cllrs received a reply from the owners of the house beside the gennel with the archway. It was **agreed** to support DCC’s proposal to install “advance warning notices” at both ends of the footpath, and not to seek any changes to the archway given its historical significance.
- .19 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention**
Grit Bin Church Bank – re-siting of the grit bin on a level plinth is still to be completed.
- 021/23 **Burial Ground Committee matters:**
- .1 **Burial Ground Maintenance** – individual items of expenditure do not require RABG approval as the Parish Council has a maintenance contract with Redwood Landscapes.
 - .2 **Burial Ground Inspection Report** – Cllr Heather Rodgers will assess the gravestones identified in Redwood’s report and report back to the next meeting.
 - .3 **Burial Ground Garden Waste and Litter Bins** – it was **agreed** to purchase a green garden waste bin from DDDC (£50 approximate cost).
 - .4 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention**
 - (a) **Big Belly Bin** – Hathersage will be receiving a Big Belly Bin as part of a DDDC trial and will replace the three current bins on Main Road. Cllrs will seek to retain the litter bin at the Station Road/Main Road junction.
 - (b) **Overgrown Hedge Station Road** – Moorland House will be asked to cut the hedge back as it is a narrow pavement.
- 022/23 **Clerk’s Report/Correspondence** – see items 021/23.4(a) and (b) above
- 023/23 **Next meeting - Tuesday 25 July at 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall;** and to note any additional items for the July meeting.

The meeting finished at 9.40pm