

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Leisure, Facilities and Amenities Committee 15 August 2023

MINUTES

Present: Councillors Jane Marsden (Chair), Heather Rodgers (Vice-Chair), Tim Hill, Peter Rowland.

In Attendance: Kathyne Fraser (Assistant Clerk)

050/23 **Apologies for absence** – apologies were **received** and **noted** from Cllrs Rosie Olle, Anne Yule, Bridget Hanley, and James Marsden

051/23 **Order of business** – no changes were made

052/23 **Public participation** – none

053/23 **Declaration of interests** – none

054/23 **Minutes of the meeting held on 25 July 2023** – the minutes were **approved** and **signed**.

055/23 **Playground and Play Equipment**

(a) **Operational Inspection Report (AES) July 2023** – the AES July Report was **received** and **noted**.

(b) **New play equipment** – it was **agreed** that the Parish Council would seek a reduction in the final bill equivalent to the cost of installing a retaining wall for the additional bark.

Action Clerk

(c) **Bark Retaining Wall** – it was **agreed** to seek a quotation from Redwood Landscapes to install a low level 'L' shaped wall to retain the additional bark. **Action – Assistant Clerk**

(d) **Wooden Handrail** – it was **agreed** to replace the second handrail linking the two playground areas and to seek a quotation from Redwood Landscapes. **Action – Assistant Clerk**

(e) **Repainting slide, swings, and goalposts** – it was **resolved** to proceed with issuing the contract (£925 + paint) to Seven Hills to paint the swings and slide. **Action – Clerk**

(f) **Playing Field Gate** – there was no update to report.

056/23 **Pool Bandstand** – it was **resolved** to move responsibility for oversight of the Bandstand to the Leisure, Facilities and Amenities Committee but that responsibility for repairs, maintenance and usage will remain with the Leisure Services Manager (LSM).

Current maintenance issues are ventilation, railings and concrete flooring with the following actions agreed:-

(a) Cllrs Rowland will look at drilling holes in the door to the storage area to improve ventilation

(b) LSM will organise disposal of old stored materials at Darley Dale Recycling Centre.

(c) LSM will obtain quotes for a dehumidifier

(d) Cllr Hill will research options and potential contractors to improve underfloor area and railings

Action – LSM; Cllrs Rowland and Hill

057/23 **Pool Path Repairs** – Cllr Rodgers reported that Nick Howarth Landscapes has agreed to quote for repairing the pool side path and the owner of the adjacent property has agreed to cut down the overhanging tree.

058/23 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA)** – there were no updates to report.

059/23 (a) **Bund Wall and Playing Field vegetation** – it was **resolved** to approve Redwood Landscapes quote of £320 to clear the overgrown vegetation at the bottom of the Playing Field with a further request that suitable shrubs are planted. **Action – Clerk**

060/23 **Confidential - Bowling Green and Access** – there were no updates to report.

061/23 **Heart of Hathersage and Parish Rooms (Vets) repainting** – it was **noted** the buildings had been painted to a high standard.

- 062/23 **New Water Tap and Trough in Heart of Hathersage** – the new water tap and stone trough have been installed in the Heart of Hathersage and Cllrs have received positive feedback from residents. The Parish Council will send a letter of thanks to the stonemasons. Cllrs **agreed** to provide a chained dog bowl and will consider installing a donation box. **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 063/23 **Heart of Hathersage Meeting Room Usage** – the current policy on the Use of the Heart of Hathersage Kitchenette and Outdoor Space (Policy No. 11) was **reviewed** and a few minor amendments **agreed**, notably to emphasise that usage of the room is restricted to local groups and organisations – changes will be approved by full Council. **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 064/23 **Permanent Flagpole** – the permanent flagpole will be installed once the new Big Belly Bin has been re-located.
- 065/23 **Car Park Footpath to Village** – it was **resolved** to advertise for volunteers to water the newly planted area. **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 066/23 **Tree Surgery Tender** – Thompson’s Tree Consultancy will be carrying out the tree surgery on 1 September 2023.
- 067/23 **Big Belly Litter and Dog Waste Bins** – the new Big Belly Bin has been installed and Cllrs **noted** the concerns expressed by some residents about the removal of the dog waste bin on Baulk Lane. It was **agreed** to publish a statement explaining the rationale for the changes.
- 068/23 **Grit Bins** – it was **resolved** to purchase a large grit bin, inclusive of salt, from DCC, for £378.25 to be placed on School Lane/Main Road junction (subject to Highways approval). **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 069/23 **Surveillance Cameras/CCTV** – the working group will be meeting with Giga Peak. **Action - Clerk**
- 070/23 **Burial Ground Waste** – the new green bin has been delivered.
- 071/23 **Parish Rights of Way/Footpath Officer** – Alan Kidd’s retirement from the role was noted and it was **agreed** to advertise for a replacement volunteer. **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 072/23 **Paving Area Outside Chemists** – Cllrs **noted** that the vegetation has been tidied up but are still awaiting to hear from the owners regarding the uneven condition of the surface.
- 073/23 **Noticeboards and Signage** – it was **agreed** to provide new or replacement signage for the toilets, playing fields (no cycling, KGF history, toilet facilities), and Burial Ground. **Action – Assistant Clerk**
- 074/23 **Any other maintenance, repairs, or other matters to bring to the Committee’s attention**
It was **noted** that increased charges for regular users of the MUGA had been agreed in April 2023 and the RFO will be asked to issue invoices for this and the previous year. **Action - RFO**
- 075/23 **Clerk’s Report/Correspondence**
- a) Cllrs considered two recent reports from residents of overgrown trees and hedges in the village, noting that one had already been cut back and the other was the responsibility of DDDC and not the Parish Council.
 - b) It was **agreed** to allow the Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service to place a recruitment banner for on-call firefighters in the Swimming Pool Car Park.
- 076/23 **Next meeting - Tuesday 19 September at 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall;** and to note any additional items for the August meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm