

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL – MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 8TH DECEMBER
2021**

Cllrs present: Cllr Margaret Allingham, Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr Anne Small, Cllr Jane Welsh (Chair)

In attendance: Sarah Jelley – Town Clerk
Brett Athow – Operations Manager

R296 Apologies

None

R297 Minutes and Matters arising

Meeting 10th November 2021

Minutes were signed.

R298 Correspondence

i) Request from Hedge End Carnival Committee for the use of Greta Park and associated facilities for the Carnival 2nd & 3rd July and Firework Fiesta 12th November 2022

The Clerk put to the committee the following concerns following the Firework Fiesta held on the 13th November:

1. Toilet provision – It was felt that there had not been enough toilet facilities made available for the numbers attending the event and that there should be the provision of portable toilets.
2. Waste left on the site. The Committee had litter picked the site, with the bags left for the Town Council to clear. Should this now be the responsibility of the Carnival Committee to remove or should the Council be responsible, along with the cost involved.
3. Provision of Risk Assessments and Public Liability Insurance
4. That the contact number given for the event had been that of the Town Council.

It was highlighted that this was a new committee, who were finding their feet, that credit should be given to them for stepping up and that support and guidance from the Town Council should be given.

Members had concerns on the cost to the Council for the removal of any waste. It was agreed that the Carnival Committee should now bear this cost for the council to remove.

RESOLVED: All agreed the request for use of Greta Park for the Carnival and Firework Fiesta next year and that a letter of support and guidance was sent to the Carnival Committee

ii) Request for the use of Greta Park for Hedge End Unwrapped – 12th June

Following a brief discussion all agreed for the event to take place.

RESOLVED: That this request for the use to Greta Park on the 12th

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June be approved.

R299 Memorial Benches

- i) Request from Hedge End Carnival Committee for the placement of benches in Greta Park
For the Centenary year the Carnival Committee had agreed to the purchase of a bench, with the event taking place at Greta Park, this would be the ideal location.
With the monies available there was enough for the purchase of x2 benches that would replace the one that had been taken out along the pathway in Greta Park. Members were shown information on the various benches available.

RESOLVED: That x2 Lakeside benches were purchased and used to replace the removed bench located in Greta Park.

- ii) Dowds Farm – Request for memorial bench
A request from a local resident had been received for the opportunity to refurbish and place a memorial plaque to her late brother to an existing bench located at Dowds Farm. The bench concerned was special to the family and had been over the last 10 years.
Members were given photos and information on the said bench for consideration.
RESOLVED: That the request to refurbish and place a memorial plaque on the requested bench was agreed, however it was asked that instead of a new pathway being put in, a gravel crescent shaped hardstanding was placed to the front of the bench.

R300 Norman Rodaway Play area

To provide a steer on the proposed consultation
The Clerk run through the proposed Consultation and Engagement Plan. The questions had been kept simple and members were asked whether they wished to add a final question on how they had heard about this consultation. It was agreed that this would be a useful addition and would help for any future consultations. It was also asked that an extra tick box covering other ways was added.

RESOLVED: That the Consultation & Engagement Plan was agreed

R301 Update – Queen’s Platinum Jubilee

Members had been given the minutes from the Working Party meeting held in November. Cllr Derek Pretty commented that it looked interesting, containing lots of good ideas. Members agreed that there should be a lasting legacy within Hedge End in remembrance of this special occasion.
The Officers concerned had conducted feasibility studies on what had come out of this meeting and updates on this would be going to the next Working

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Party meeting, to be held hopefully in January.

R302 Operations Manager Report

A report had been circulated to members prior to the meeting containing updates on the following:

- Albert Road Cemetery
- Allotments
- Bowling Green
- Conservation Volunteers
- Football
- Local Nature Reserve
- Paddling Pool
- Open Spaces

All agreed that this report was very informative.

There being no further business to conduct the meeting closed at 8.05pm