

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 9TH NOVEMBER
2022**

Cllrs present: Cllr Margaret Allingham, Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr Dave Kinloch, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr Jane Welsh (Chair)

In attendance: Brett Athow – Operations Manager

R361 Apologies Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Lucy Jurd

R362 Minutes and Matters arising

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R357 - The installation of the play area was progressing. Unfortunately, however the contractor had had a couple of dumper trucks stolen over the last week. It was hoped that there would now be a couple of weeks of dry weather to enable the wet pour to take.

R358 - The fencing around the Drummond Community centre would hopefully be starting on the 10th/11th November.

R363 Allotments

- (i) Request for greenhouse – Pink 3, Spring Field
There would be a review of the allotment T&C's at the December R&A meeting, ready for the sending out of renewals in April.

RESOLVED: All Cllrs agreed that this application for a greenhouse was approved.

R364 Turnpike Way Sportsfield

Cricket applications – 2023 season

Members had been given details of the applications received. On a Saturday afternoon there was a capacity for two teams to play on alternative weekends.

Totton and Eling CC had played at this location for a number of years and should be allowed to continue. Out of the other teams that had applied it was felt that priority should be given to teams within the Borough, therefore it was agreed that Eastleigh CC were allowed to play alternatively with Totton and Eling CC.

Cllr Derek Pretty asked that the required remedial works with costings were brought to committee. The Operation's Manager confirmed he was still waiting for quotations and would chase.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that approval was given for the following teams to play at Turnpike Way Sportsfield for the 2023 season.

Hedge End Junior CC – Monday to Friday & Sunday

Totton & Eling CC – Saturday PM

Eastleigh CC - Saturday PM on the proviso that they played alternate Saturdays with Totton & Eling CC

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R365 Queens Platinum Jubilee

- (i) Minutes for noting
Noted

- (ii) To agree the spending of the remaining budget
At the working party meeting councillors had come up with two choices. Firstly, on a bench with a Queen's Green Canopy memorial plaque at Dowds Farm Community Woodland site and secondly to replace the green bench in Upper Northam Road, (area in front of Greta Park) with a similar looking one to the new Jubilee bench, but with a Queen Elizabeth II memorial plaque.
The Operations Manager commented that the area for the Community Woodland site was a wet area, with no pathways and that the woodland would take time to develop. Over the last 18 months quite a few new or replacement benches had gone in at Dowds Farm.

Following discussion members came up with ideas for other locations for a bench these included outside the 2000 Centre entrance, replacing the bench at the top of the pathway, by the car park at the 2000 Centre and replacing of the green metal bench by the public toilets in the centre of the village.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that this agenda item was deferred to the December R&A meeting for further consideration, giving time for members to consider any other locations they may feel suitable.

R366 Operations Manager Report

The report contained the following updates

- Albert Road Cemetery
- Allotments
- Conservation Volunteers
- Cricket
- Football
- Graffiti and Vandalism
- Play Areas
- Open Spaces

There being no further business to conduct the meeting closed at 7.35pm