

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL – MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 14TH DECEMBER
2022**

Cllrs present: Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Dave Kinloch

In attendance: Brett Athow – Operations Manager

There being no Chair or Vice Chair present, Cllr Paul Carnell was elected to chair the meeting.

R367 Apologies

Cllr Margaret Allingham, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Cliff Morris, Cllr Derek Pretty,
Cllr Jane Welsh

It was asked that best wishes were sent to Cllr Jane Welsh.

R368 Minutes and Matters arising

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The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record by the acting Chair.

R369 Correspondence

(i) For noting only

Email from Allotment Association – Thanking the Committee for the opportunity to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the purchase of the allotments by the Town Council.

R370 Woodhouse Lane – Junior Football Training

Request for coaching sessions from the 13th to 17th February 2023, along with the siting of a portaloo.

They currently used the facilities on a Saturday morning without any issues, however there were concerns for the siting of a portaloo for the duration of the hire due to past anti-social behaviour at this location.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that this coaching session was approved, however the siting of the portaloo would not be allowed. It was suggested that they contact Baden Powell Lodge to see if they could use their facilities during the hire.

R371 Eastleigh and District Angling Club

Dowds Farm Pond

An email had been received from the club giving notice that they would not be continuing with the lease for Dowd's Farm pond after 30th April 2023.

For the past few years they have had several incidents where the bailiff has had to call the police about anti-social behaviour and were constantly getting abuse from local residents, along with large groups of teenagers to the point that they felt threatened. There were also continuous issues with people

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allowing their dogs to swim in the pond with total disregard for the anglers and their safety.

The club were thanked for the update, though not happy with the situation members completely understood why they had come to this decision.

R372 Green Flag Award Application 2023/2024 for Albert Road Cemetery and War Memorial

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that the Green Flag Award for 2023/2024 was applied for.

R373 Woodhouse Lane – Pavilion Pirates

Access path leading to the side of Baden Powell Lodge

Following a meeting of both the Pavilion Pirates staff and trustees the issue was raised regarding the condition of the pathway that leads to the side of the building, and onto the enclosed area at the rear. The intention was for the use of that pathway to continue in its current format, namely facilitating drop off and collection of the children attending the pre-school at the rear of the building, rather than having multiple persons in an enclosed corridor at the main entrance.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that this agenda item was deferred to the January R&A meeting in order legalities and maintenance could be checked.

R374 Queens Platinum Jubilee

Various locations for the placing of a memorial bench had been put forward at the November R&A meeting and members now had to agreed how the remaining funds available were used.

The Operations Manager commented that there was space for a bench on the left-hand side boundary in St Johns Recreation ground.

RESOLVED: It was proposed by Cllr John Jupe and seconded by Cllr Dave Kinloch, all agreed that a bench in the same style was installed on the left-hand side boundary in St Johns Recreation ground, with a memorial plaque and that any funds left would go towards a sign in recognition of the Community Woodland planting held at Dowds Farm.

R375 Coronation – 6th May 2023

There had been no formal directive reference this event, it was just to make Councillors aware of this forthcoming occasion and whether members wanted to start to consider any type of organised event.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed this was put on the January R&A agenda and subsequent agendas moving forward.

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R376 Allotments

Review of Terms and Conditions

The Operations Manager confirmed that more work needed to be done on the Terms and Conditions.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that this was deferred to the January R&A meeting.

R377 Turnpike Way Sportsfield

Cricket Facilities

The Operations Manager confirmed that more information was required for this agenda item, as there was a big decision to be made and that a report would be done ready for next R&A meeting.

RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed that this agenda item was deferred to the January R&A meeting.

R378 Operations Manager Report

The report contained the following updates and as normal would be placed on the Town Council website, alongside the minutes.

- Albert Road Cemetery
- Allotments
- Bowling Green
- Conservation Volunteers
- Cricket
- Graffiti and Vandalism
- Local Nature Reserve
- Paddling Pool
- Play Areas
- Open Spaces

Members were disappointed that the Queens Green Canopy official map randomised submissions within a 1km radius of the actual site, meaning the Dowds Farm woodland was listed at a property in Charterhouse Way.

**R379 All members of the public and press are requested to leave the meeting -
Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

R380 Exempt Business

Grazing Fields

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