

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RECREATION & AMENITIES
COMMITTEE HELD 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2016**

Cllrs. Present: Cllr. Margaret Allingham, Cllr. John Jupe, Cllr. Derek Pretty, Cllr. Jane Welsh (Chair)

R14 Apologies: Cllr. Stephanie Arnold, Cllr. Shankerlal Sthankiya.

With effect from the close of business hours today, all communications have been checked for the receipt of apologies.

**R15 Minutes & Matters Arising
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R3 ii), there has been no further communication from the applicant. Noted.

R5, there has been no further communication from the complainant and the Committee's instructions have been implemented. Noted.

R11i), Sutcliffe Play installation at Greta Park commenced Thursday 8th September. Existing play equipment removed and site secured ready for the new installation, with a completion date estimated within four weeks. Noted.

R11iii), A mechanical plate was not used to compress the scalpings and it is reported that it was extremely wet during installation. **The clerk is instructed to double check this response, as the Head Groundsman had confirmed to the Chair and Vice Chair that a mechanical plate had been utilised.**

R13, Integr8 Dance, the applicant did not respond to correspondence requesting further information. Noted.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.

R16 Correspondence:

i) Publications:

ICCM Journal, Autumn issue 2016.

CPRE, Field Work, Summer 2016

CPRE, Countryside Voice, Summer 2016

CPRE, Devolution: A Discussion Paper for CPRE by Lillian Burns.

ii) Hedge End Town FC - copy of Public Liability Insurance Certificate. Noted.

iii) Mrs. P. Hill, compliments Hedge End Paddling Pool, however, would it be possible to add weatherproof surface, by the yellow gate of the toddler park, as it becomes so slippery and boggy during wet weather, which makes it very tricky to reach the equipment when covered in mud. Mrs. Hill adds "*Thank you for providing such great facilities.*" **The Committee also note the excellent feature, aired by Meridian TV News, reporting the popularity of the Paddling Pool on a very hot day. The Clerk is instructed to ask the Head Groundsman to address the problem outlined by Mrs. Hill.**

iv) Lucy Butcher, Allotment Yellow 6b - application to erect a 4' x 6' Greenhouse and a small shed. **The Clerk is instructed to approve this application.**

v) Wildern Opportunity Group: because of the newly decorated areas, the group have found several new conditions being imposed upon them. They are happy to compromise but due to the purpose of which the hall is hired, they are finding it difficult to find alternative ways to ensure that they meet Ofsted requirements and make application for variation of the terms and conditions raised by the Clerk. This letter received after the Agenda was published. **The Clerk is instructed to defer this matter to the next Agenda and in the meantime arrange a meeting between the Wildern Opportunity Group management with members of the Committee, in the**

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hope of a compromise in arrangements to suit all parties.

- vi) Lyndon Taylor, ParkSport Co-ordinator, reports upon the SkateJam held at Woodhouse Lane. It was another really successful event, with Team Extreme hosting Scooter, BMX and Skateboard competitions and providing some brilliant prizes. It was also very well attended, with numbers reaching over 130 throughout the day. Noted.

R17 Norman Rodaway Pavilion

To discuss security issues arising from indiscriminate and unauthorised use of keys to the premises.

An Aide Memoir was circulated previously to Committee Members. **The Clerk is instructed to arrange for a quotation to install a Key Fob system to the Main Grilled Gate and the Pavilion door into the main hall. However, particular arrangements will need to be considered in order to ensure that during use, hirers will be able to access and egress from the building without activating the Key Fob lock.**

R18 To consider applications:

i) Bridget Mary Gardens: To consider an application for a commemorative bench and improvements suggested by a member of the public. Resolved: That the Committee will approve the installation of a Commemorative Bench, with a grant from the applicant to cover the cost of a Metal Paragon Seat, similar to that installed in Greta Park.

Furthermore, the Clerk is instructed to insure that a suitable rustic styled Bin is installed adjacent to the existing bench.

ii) Hampshire Search & Rescue - application to place a Bag It Up recycling bin within an additional site in Hedge End. Resolved: A second site at Drummond Community Centre Car Park, on a trial basis.

iii) Happy Circus - an application to visit Greta Park in 2017. Resolved: To approve this application.

R19 Allotments

i) Facilities Cabin - the Chair's Report. The Chair reported upon a site visit, when she was accompanied by the Vice Chair and Head Groundsman, following complaints, to discuss improvements. Resolved: It was agreed that one of the WC cubicles would be permanently closed and used for storage only. The second WC would be made fit for use with refurbishment and cleaning. It would require a "push down" tap fitted, painting and new flooring. An "Out of Order - Storage Only" sign to be placed on the closed WC. The Town Clerk confirms that works have commenced this week to improve and refurbish one WC unit. The Chair also reported that a notice had been placed in one of the WC's, from a hirer, volunteering cleaning services if the appropriate materials were made available. Contact should be made after renovations and materials kept in the locked storage with a key given to the volunteer.

ii) Drainage - A water leak will be addressed this month, as the extremely dry conditions reach an end.

iii) Cultivation Report The clerk is instructed to prepare a feasibility study into the preparation of neglected plots, by the groundstaff, with the proposal of 50% to be paid by the prospective hirer.

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iv) Air Training Corps - an application to install planting at their premises in Turnpike Way Sportsfield, plus a further application for planting from the Hedge End Breakfast Rotary Club.

Resolved: To approve the Air Training Corps application. Suggested sites for the Hedge End Breakfast Rotary Club to plant: a) entrance to Maunsell Way from Tollbar Way and b) the green at the top of Freegrounds Avenue at the junction with Freegrounds Road.