HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL – MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD 11TH JUNE 2025

Cllrs present: Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr Leigh Hadaway (Chair), Cllr John Jupe

In attendance: Brett Athow – Operations Manager

R553 Apologies Cllr Dave Kinloch, Cllr Derek Pretty

R554 Minutes and Matters arising
Minutes of a meeting 9th April 2025

The minutes were signed by the chair as an accurate record.

R555 Correspondence
None received

R556 Grazing Fields
To consider a request for the installation of a temporary field shelter, feed shed and horse box on Grazing Field 3
The grazier concerned took over field 3 in 2024, with no shelter provided, as the structures on site had been removed by the previous tenant.
The facilities requested were intended to support the care and management of up to three horses, with all the proposed structures being temporary, removable and not resulting in a permanent change to the landscape, thus would not require any formal planning permission. These structures would also be monitored to ensure they did not become permanent or misused.
RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to the installation of these temporary structures on Grazing Field 3

R557 Eastleigh Active Summer Programme
To agree use of Town Council venues from Monday 28th July to Friday 22nd August 2025
The Operations Manager confirmed that they had been asked what they would require, it was confirmed that the only outdoor space required for their Summer programme would be Greta Park for Nerf Wars on the 14th August, for a total of 2 hours.
They had also requested access to the on-site toilets. However, due to the limited duration of their use and the fact that the facilities were not in a suitable condition for public use, the on-site toilets would not be made available. However, the public toilets located nearby would be open for use.
Cllrs felt that it was very important to allow such activities to take place for the residents.
RESOLVED: Cllrs agreed to the use of Greta Park as part of the Eastleigh Active Summer Programme and that the Greta Park toilets would not be made available for use.

R558 Operations Manager Report

The report contained the following updates:

- Allotments
- Albert Road Cemetery
- Conservation Volunteers
- Cricket
- Football
- Graffiti, ASB, Vandalism
- Local Nature Reserve
- Paddling Pool
- Play Areas
- General updates

The Operations Manager confirmed that over the last week the allotment waiting list had increased to 50 people, however the first inspection of the year had just taken place which could release more plots for rental.
He also confirmed that a second microbiological test had been completed on the paddling pool and once again all was clear.

Cllr Leigh Hadaway asked how the Wipeout World Event had gone at Greta Park, it was confirmed that there had been no issues and that they would like to return at some point to hold another event.

There being no further business to conduct the meeting closed at 7.21pm