



West End Parish Council

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Members are required to attend the meeting of the **RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING** which will be held on **WEDNESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2023 at 7.15pm** in **THE PARISH CENTRE**

THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING WHICH MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Mr S Mockford
Clerk to the Parish Council

13th September 2023

AGENDA

054/23/REC ITEM 1 - Public Participation

055/23/REC ITEM 2 - Declarations of Interest.

- *Members are invited to declare interests in relation to items of business on the agenda. Any interests will be recorded in the relevant minutes.*

056/23/REC ITEM 3 - To receive and accept apologies from Councillors.

057/23/REC ITEM 4 - Recreation & Environment Meeting Minutes

- No minutes to be approved.

058/23/REC ITEM 5 - Projects for 2024/2025

- To suggest and discuss any ideas of projects for 2024/2025.

059/23/REC ITEM 5 - Parish Events for 2023

- Update on 2023 events – **TO NOTE**

060/23/REC ITEM 6 – Hatch Grange Play Area Development Project

- Update on project – **TO NOTE**

061/23/REC ITEM 7 - Barnsland/Hatch Farm/Upmill

- Update on the new path at Barnsland – **TO NOTE**
- Update on the new Hatch Farm Public Art Project – **TO NOTE**
- Email received from a resident regarding trees and brambles at the back of her property. Councillors to decide on whether work should be carried out to clear this – **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**

062/23/REC ITEM 8 - Hatch Grange/Megan Green/Quob Green/West End Copse

- The Wednesday Conservation Group have approximately 60m of path left to complete at Megan Green, this will be completed in 2024. For the remainder of 2023 their work will concentrate on clearing trees and brambles at Megan Green – **TO NOTE**
- An Open Space Risk Assessment was completed with Peninsular on Hatch Grange – **TO NOTE**
- Councillors to discuss a new location for the Hatch Grange WI Bench. This was originally outside the Parish Centre but had to be removed due to Anti-Social Behaviour – **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**
- A new grazier has been sourced to provide cows for the SiNC area. Councillors to confirm whether they are happy to pay £200 per cow for 2024 – **TO CONSIDER & APPROVE**
- Quote received to complete pollarding on lime avenue, £5520+VAT – **TO CONSIDER & APPROVE**
- Correspondence received from the Environment Agency regarding a culvert in Larch Close where a resident was querying the ownership. Following investigations undertaken by the Clerk, we have discovered that this parcel of land is unregistered – **TO NOTE**



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- A resident of Hatch Mead has asked for some arborist advice regarding the Parish owned trees at the back of her property – **TO NOTE**

063/23/REC ITEM 9 - Moorgreen Recreation Ground

- A replacement piece of equipment has been sourced from Kompan at a cost of £4831.06 inc. VAT and installation – **TO CONSIDER & APPROVE**
- The Grounds team have trimmed back the hedges along the roadside. The tops of the hedges will be taken back by the arborist next year – **TO NOTE**

064/23/REC ITEM 10 - Townhill Farm Recreation Areas

- Damage has been caused to the surfacing at Carpathia Play Area. This has been reported to police. Grounds team to repair – **TO NOTE**

065/23/REC ITEM 11 - Cutbush Lane Football Facility

- Football has re-commenced for the 2023/2024 season.
- Following a complaint from residents, the Parish have obtained a quote for CCTV to be fitted to the pavilion building. This would be at a cost of £1829.88 + VAT. This will be taken to the Policy & Resources meeting later this month to be discussed in more detail – **TO NOTE**

066/23/REC ITEM 12 - Quob Lane Cemetery and Burial Ground

- Several calls have been received from residents regarding the poor condition of the path in the Old Burial Ground – **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**
- A request has been received from Reverend Maunder to remove a conifer tree within the Old Burial Ground. The arborists quote for this work is £500 – **TO CONSIDER & APPROVE**
- A request has been received from Reverend Maunder asking for the Grounds Team to trim the church border hedges and remove bramble in the far corner of the main church burial ground – **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**
- Councillors to agree whether to provide annual maintenance of all the hedges at St James Church – **TO CONSIDER & APPROVE**
- It has been agreed that the tap at the Old Burial Ground will be removed and three water butts will be purchased. Faculty approval required. – **TO NOTE**
- Following a couple of requests for more than two ashes to be placed in an ashes plot, the office staff and grounds team discussed the viability of this and determined that the limit of two ashes per plot should remain in place. Councillors to confirm whether they are in agreement with this – **TO NOTE**
- The exhumation of Mui Yip is ongoing. The faculty has been received from the Diocese and no further paperwork is required. A specialist exhumation agency are now dealing with the repatriation. Further update to be provided by the Deputy Clerk – **TO NOTE**

067/23/REC ITEM 13 - Allotments

- Update from the Deputy Clerk.

068/23/REC ITEM 14 - Grounds & Equipment

- Update from the Head Groundsman.
- Overgrown Laurel in Harbourne Gardens. To decide whether to remove the laurel completely or pay for regular reduction work undertaken by an arborist – **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**



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- Three quotes have been obtained to purchase a new ride on mower - **TO DISCUSS & DETERMINE ACTION**
 - **Quote 1 - £668.00 + VAT a month over 5 years**
 - **Quote 2 - £663.99 + VAT a month over 5 years**
 - **Quote 3 - £522.57+ VAT a month over 5 years**
- A quote of £4000+VAT has been received to purchase the existing mower – **TO DISUCSS & DETERMINE ACTION**

069/23/REC ITEM 15 - The YoutHouse

- Update from the Youth Leader.

070/23/REC ITEM 16 - Date & Time of Next Scheduled Meeting

- Wednesday 18th October 2023 at 7.15pm.