

**WEST END PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023, AT 7.15 PM**

**Councillors Present:** R MacDonald (Chair)  
J Haylett  
R Prince-Wright  
S Turl

**In Attendance:** B Bond, Deputy Parish Clerk  
N Thorne, Deputy Head Groundsman  
S Johnson, Admin Officer

**3 Members of the public**

**035/23/REC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*The Chair invited questions from members of the public as explained in the document ref. Public Participation at West End Parish Council meetings.*

A resident of Cutbush Lane raised the issue of antisocial behaviour around the Cutbush Pavilion building. The resident requested the area behind the building be fenced off to restrict access.

**The Chair firstly encouraged the resident to report every incident of anti-social behaviour to the Police. Councillors then explained that the request for a fence around the building had been requested previously and was deemed not to be a suitable option.**

**The Chair asked the Deputy Clerk to speak to the local PCSO to highlight the issue. It was also mentioned that the Parish Youth Workers will be carrying out Outreach work during the summer holiday and Cutbush could be included.**

**036/23/REC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**037/23/REC APOLOGIES FROM COUNCILLORS**

Apologies received and accepted from Councillors Boulton, Berry & Du-Crow.

Councillor Henry was absent.

**038/23/REC MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023 meeting were agreed at the Full Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

**039/23/REC METAL DETECTING POLICY**

**RESOLVED:** The Parish Metal Detecting Policy was reviewed and approved unanimously by Councillors.

**040/23/REC TREE POLICY**

**RESOLVED:** The Parish Tree Policy was reviewed and approved unanimously by Councillors.

**041/23/REC TENNIS COURTS – TERMS OF USE**

**RESOLVED:** The Moorgreen Tennis Courts Terms of Use were reviewed and approved unanimously by Councillors.

**042/23/REC PARISH EVENTS 2023**

**Senior Citizens Tea Dance** - Friday 28th July 2023 – 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Tickets went on sale on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June and 35 have been sold so far.

**Community Games** - Wednesday 16th August 2023 – 11.00am – 3.00pm

Nothing new to report.

**Senior's Bingo Event** - Wednesday 25th October 2023 – 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Nothing new to report.

**Remembrance Day** - Sunday 12th November 2023 - 10.30am – 11.15am

Nothing new to report.

**Christmas Lights** – Friday 24th November 2023 – 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Nothing new to report.

**Children's Christmas Event** - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 - 4.00pm – 5.30pm

Nothing new to report.

**Senior's Christmas Party** - Monday 18th December 2023 - 1.00pm – 3.30pm

Nothing new to report.

**043/23/REC PLAY AREA DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

Following June's Policy & Resources meeting, it was decided to proceed with an application for the Government funded Community Ownership Fund which would cover 80% of the cost of the Play Area Development project, if successful.

An application has been completed and submitted and the expected wait time for an outcome is 2-3 months.

**044/23/REC BARNSLAND / HATCH FARM / UPMILL**

- Work continues on the new path at Barnsland.
- Work is due to be carried on a number of trees at Barnsland. A Hornbeam will be pollarded and the dead sycamore and a couple of ash trees behind it will be removed. This will all be at a cost of £780 + VAT.
- The application window for expressions of interest in the new Public Art project at Hatch Farm is now closed. Interviews with the shortlisted artists will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August.
- Some graffiti was reported to the Police after being found on the swings at Barnsland and cleaned off the same day by Ground Staff.

**045/23/REC HATCH GRANGE / MEGAN GREEN / QUOB GREEN / WEST END COPSE**

**Hatch Grange**

Nothing new to report.

**Sinc Area**

Nothing new to report.

**Megan Green**

The Wednesday Conservation Group are looking to continue the work on the path on Megan Green in August.

**Quob Green**

Nothing new to report.

**West End Copse**

Work on the boardwalk at West End Copse has been completed.

**046/23/REC MOORGREEN RECREATION GROUND**

A broken piece of play equipment has been removed from Moorgreen Play Area. The Grounds team are currently sourcing a replacement piece of play equipment.

**047/23/REC TOWNHILL FARM RECREATION AREAS**

**Chartwell Green**

Nothing new to report.

**Townhill Farm & Carpathia Play Areas**

Nothing new to report.

**Townhill Farm Community Centre**

Nothing new to report.

**048/23/REC CUTBUSH LANE FOOTBALL FACILITY**

A complaint has been received from a local resident regarding anti-social behaviour. They have suggested the building be fenced off to deter people from hanging around it.

**As the resident was in attendance at the meeting, this item of business was discussed during Public Participation.**

**Following on from this discussion, Councillor Turl proposed, and Councillor Haylett seconded that the Parish look in to getting CCTV fitted at Cutbush. Councillors agreed unanimously.**

**049/23/REC QUOB LANE CEMETERY/ BURIAL GROUND**

**Burial Ground**

Nothing new to report.

**Cemetery**

A letter has been received from the Registrar for the Diocese of Winchester advising that they have received an application to exhume the remains of Mui Yip. As such a public notice has been put up at Quob Lane Cemetery as requested.

## **Garden of Reflection**

Nothing new to report.

### **050/23/REC ALLOTMENTS**

- The next plot inspections will be taking place at the end of July.
- There are 42 people currently on the waiting list for an allotment plot.
- The Tenancy Agreement has been updated. A copy of this will be sent out to all plot holders with their rent renewal letter in August.

### **051/23/REC GROUNDS & EQUIPMENT**

The Grounds team are continuing on with their schedule of work. There are no current issues.

### **052/23/REC THE YOUTHOUSE**

We are in the last week of the summer term. Our trips are all nearly full and planning for the community games is in its last few weeks. Our first trip is canoeing on 27<sup>th</sup> July with 12 young people attending.

We are also planning to do some detached work in the summer holidays around west end.

We are still running the Toddler group through the holidays as most groups will be closed and the young parents and toddlers can become isolated.

Cricket parking is going very well so far along with the parking for the concert. We have raised over £1,886.38 so far this year, which will help to subsidise our PGL residential.

### **034/23/REC DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

The meeting closed at 7.47pm