

HATHERSAGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Leisure, Facilities and Amenities Committee (LFAC) meeting held on Tuesday 10 September 2024, 8.30pm, at Hathersage Memorial Hall

Present: Cllrs Jane Marsden (Chair), Bridget Hanley, Tim Hill, Peter Rowland, Heather Rodgers

- 053/24 **Apologies for absence** received and accepted from Cllrs James Marsden and Rosie Olle.
- 054/24 **Order of business – any variation** – none.
- 055/24 **Public participation** – none. The Chair referenced a matter raised by some members of the public (members of the rewilding group) in relation to rewilding and management of verges – the Chair expanded on informal discussions with members of the rewilding group, and a DDDC Officer, and further meetings planned to discuss verge options. Suggested this should be an agenda item at the October HPC meeting **action for the Clerk**.
- 056/24 **Declaration of interests** – none.
- 057/24 **Minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2024** were **confirmed**; actions arising (*in the Action Log*) **noted**.
- 058/24 **Playground and Play Equipment** - maintenance, repairs or other matters.
- .1 **Received** the most recent Alliance Environmental Services (AES) inspection report; noted recent maintenance undertaken; queried play equipment manufacturer instructions around maintenance **action for the Clerk**.
- .2 **Noted** AES provision of a play equipment list to support basic equipment checks by HPC staff (to be shared with the Caretaker and LSM).
- 059/24 **MUGA** - maintenance, repairs or other matters. Noted the surface repair had been undertaken. Noted LSM is looking at repairing MUGA nets (to stop balls going into back gardens). Cllrs flagged that balls also go over the fence damaging windows in the Memorial Hall. **ACTION – Finance Committee and 2024-25 budget-setting – budget for fencing of the MUGA**.
- 060/24 **Hathersage Playing Field Association (HPFA)** – any updates – noted AGM to be convened.
- 061/24 **Biodiversity Policy and Action Plan** – standing agenda item – note ongoing initiatives; flag any proposed initiatives. Referenced discussions on bund wall and verge management.
- 062/24 **Toilets**
- .1 Any report/update or matters to bring to the committee’s attention. Noted a plumber will attend on 11 September to address a repair to the flushing system (in the disabled toilet). Cllrs discussed the possibility of having a dedicated plumber – who was familiar with the toilets and the recurring issues - on call. Cllr Hill expanded on the challenge of accessing flushing units.
- .2 Donations – noted discussions at the 3 September HPC meeting about measures to increase donations including signage and facilitating card donations. Noted other sites both in Hathersage and at other locations in Derbyshire Dales where card donations are facilitated **ACTION – Cllr Rodgers to enquire further, in Hathersage, about facilitating card donations; Clerk to enquire with a DDDC Officer about card donations at other Derbyshire Dales facilities**.
Noted one of the signs (toilet twinning) previously mounted on one of the toilet doors had been located. Signs referencing the costs of maintaining the toilets and directing users to the donations box were missing; **further consideration to be given to producing new signs**.
- 063/24 **Heart of Hathersage:** Cllr Rowland flagged motorcyclists parking on HoH and the need for clearer, stronger signage (and where the sign should be sited; **further consideration to be given to wording and siting of signage**).
- 064/24 **Bins** – flagged that the Baulk Lane bin was full and needed emptying – queried whether the bin may have been emptied earlier in the day; **Cllrs to check whether the bin had been emptied and inform the Clerk; Clerk to flag with DDDC Officer if the bin does need to**

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be emptied.

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Burial Ground

- .1 **Capacity** – as per the proposal at the August HPC meeting – to **consider** an approach to PDNPA about availability of land, and planning permissions – **Chair to pursue this.**
- .2 **Depositing soil from newly dug graves** – to **consider** options – Chair expanded including current practice; **further consideration to be undertaken on options.**

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Any other maintenance, repairs or other matters to bring to the Committee's attention

- .1 **Shuttleworth Lamp** – any **update** on progress with repairs to the lamp. Cllr Hill expanded on the need for immediate electrical repairs and on longer-term refurbishment proposals. Cllr Hill referenced ongoing liaison with a DCC Officer on lamp replacement; suggested the associated costs would be approx. between £400 and £500; **Cllrs noted support for this expenditure.**
- .2 **New seat on Station Approach** – any **update** on a DCC response [relating to any permissions needed]. Clerk to liaise further with DCC on the permission application process.
- .3 **Hedge cutting** – any **update** on whether those approached re cutting back hedges have done so; **agreed** to cite stronger messages when asking residents to cut back hedges including referencing HPC reporting overgrown hedges to DCC. Cllrs discussed the extent to which hedges should be cut back.

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Clerk's Report/Correspondence – none.

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Next meeting: Tuesday 8 October 2024 at 7.30pm, Hathersage Memorial Hall (Sampson Room); noted items (flagged in the minutes) for the October agenda.

Meeting ended at 9.30pm

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