

HENSTRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

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Approved minutes of a meeting of Henstridge Parish Council's Open Spaces Committee held on Monday 10th April 2017 in the Village Hall Lounge, Ash Walk, Henstridge.

Present: Simon Cullum (Chair), Carolyn Nichols and David Nichols

Also Present: Howard Bentley-Marchant, Dennis Finch and Sue Place.

Clerk: Zöe Godden

The meeting began at 20:00.

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies had been received from John Graham.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the reason for absence as reported.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Public Participation.

No members of the public were present.

4. To approve as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 21st November 2016.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to approve the minutes as presented.

It was **agreed** to bring item 7f to this point in the meeting.

7f. To discuss and agree next steps for organising a celebration event to mark the opening of the perimeter track and patio.

Various ideas were discussed. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Village Hall Booking Clerk to identify suitable dates to hold the event in approximately ten weeks' time.

Action 170401/1: Parish Clerk

20:14 – Sue Place left the meeting.

5. Matters deferred and arising from previous meetings:

There were no matters deferred or arising.

6. Footpaths

- a.** To hear the response from the owners of Bridge House regarding the request to reroute a footpath across their land.

The owners of Bridge House did not want to have the footpath rerouted across their land. It was **agreed** to take no further action.

7. Recreation Ground

- a.** To note that a damaged plastic panel had been removed from the skate park shelter and to consider and agree options and quotes for replacing it.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to purchase the green metal panel from David Nichols' supplier, up to a cost of £700.00.

Action 170401/2: David Nichols

- b.** To discuss and agree plans for resurfacing the car park.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the VHMC to request a concrete proposal for the required drainage works within one month and that the car park resurfacing must be done at the same time as the drainage work.

Action 170401/3: Parish Clerk

The Clerk was further instructed to obtain quotes for repairs to the current car park.

Action 170401/4: Parish Clerk

- c. To note that the gate at the Playfield Close entrance to the Recreation Ground has been removed and to agree any further action to be taken.

Noted.

- d. To agree how to deal with grass cutting should the Cricket Club no longer be able to provide the service to the Parish Council.

It was **agreed** to defer this matter to a future meeting, when the status of the Cricket Club had been confirmed.

- e. To agree a date for a Youth Day to be held during the summer holidays.

It was **agreed** that the Youth Day would be on 16th August, if this was acceptable to Steve Burrows, the event provider.

- f. To discuss and agree next steps for organising a celebration event to mark the opening of the perimeter track and patio.

This matter was dealt with after item 4 above.

8. Cemetery

- a. To note that the SSDC has supplied a rubbish bin for use at the cemetery, at a cost of £45, that this would be emptied by SSDC at no cost to the Parish Council.

Noted.

- b. To agree to accept a quote from SSDC of £480 to remove the remaining spoil heap from the cemetery.

RESOLVED: It was proposed and agreed to accept the quote from SSDC.

- c. To note Full Council agreement (3rd April meeting) for a bench to be installed at the cemetery by a local resident.

Noted.

9. Allotments

- a. To hear an update on the allotment site.

The Clerk reported that some plots had changed hands and that a recent Freedom of Information request had been dealt with in line with the Freedom of Information policy.

10. Oak Vale Woodland

- a. To note that drainage works will commence at the woodland in the week commencing 17 April.

Noted.

- 11. Future meetings:** to agree that the next Open Spaces Committee meeting should take place on Monday 17th July 2017 at 7.30pm.

It was **agreed** that the next meeting would take place on 15th May.

The meeting ended at 20:38.

Agreed and signed by the Chair _____

Date _____