Burnham Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on Tuesday 28th March 2023 at 6:30pm in Burnham Park Hall.

# Committee members present:

Cllr Ekta Kaur Ross (Chairman), Cllr Marie Hammon, Cllr Pat Bird, Cllr Edwina Glover, Cllr Judith Foster

# In Attendance:

Officers of the Council: Louise Hayday – Parish Clerk

Members of the Council: 1

Members of the public: 0

**943** **To accept apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Carol Linton, Cllr John Carey and Cllr Paul Bunce.

**944 Declarations of Interest**

None

**945 Public Forum**

None

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**946 Minutes**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 24th January 2023.

**947 Finance**

The Clerk presented the February management accounts, and a summary of funds relating to the committee.

**948 George Pitcher Memorial Ground**

a) Items on the grounds report were noted and Cllr Edwina Glover expressed her thanks to the groundsmen for producing the report for the meeting. The new entrance signage was noted.

b) An update on Pitchside takings was given and noted. The Clerk reported that the food hygiene inspection had gone very well with the top marks of a 5 being awarded. The Committee wished to congratulate the Pitchside team for the fantastic result.

**949 Parks & Playgrounds**

a) Items on the grounds report were noted. The Committee discussed the issues with the pond, it was reported that the lease had expired some time ago and the Clerk was waiting for Buckinghamshire Council to come back on that. Cllr Edwinda Glover raised concerns over the lack of life saving equipment at the pond, the Clerk will bring tamper proof ideas to the Committee.

b) The Clerk reported that the grant funds from the Police Community Fund had now been received and the gate would be installed shortly.

c) It was reported that 4 out of the 5 pieces of new equipment was installed, suitable promotion would be put out once all equipment was in.

d) The dates of the larger events in Burnham Park were noted.

**950 Street Furniture and Public Conveniences**

a) The proposed coronation decorations were discussed and it was asked that some other areas were included as well as the High Street, Clerk to action.

The idea of planting a tree for the coronation was discussed and recommendations will be presented at the next meeting.

b) It was reported that there was two new memorial benches due to be installed, one near the war memorial and the other in Burnham Park.

**951 Repairs & Maintenance**

The Clerk reported that an inspection had been carried out on the tied accommodation, the internal doors needed to be replaced, once sizes had been received quotes will be sought.

**952 Best Kept Village**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to enter the best kept village competition for 2023 at a cost of £25.00.

A campaign surrounding cigarette butts is to run in tandem with the competition.

**953 Exclusion of Press & Public**

It was **RESOLVED** that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the Meeting for the remaining items of business on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.

**954 5 Lent Green Lane**

The Committee noted the report.

As this was the last meeting of the municipal year the Chairman took the opportunity to thank the Committee and Councillors for all of the hard work carried out over the past year, it was felt that a lot had been achieved in 2022/23.

**The meeting closed at 7.20pm**

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th June 2023**