

Burnham Parish Council
Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee held on Tuesday 24th October 2023 at 6:30pm in Burnham Park Hall.

Committee members present:

Cllr Ekta Kaur Ross (Chairman), Cllr Judith Foster, Cllr Marie Hammon, Cllr Carol Linton, Cllr Pat Bird, Cllr John Carey, Cllr Lindsey Chatralia, Cllr Graham Mummery

In Attendance:

Officers of the Council:	Louise Hayday – Parish Clerk
Members of the Council:	1 Cllr Terry Gamble
Members of the public:	0

RA23/027 To accept apologies for absence

No apologies were received from Cllr Paul Bunce and he was considered absent.

RA23/028 Declarations of Interest

None

RA23/029 Public Forum

Cllr Terry Gamble spoke as a resident on his concerns regarding placing a bench in the shelter on the village green. He recalled the reasons why the original bench had been removed and asked that this be considered when the item was discussed.

RA23/030 Minutes

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 12th September 2023

RA23/031 Finance

The Clerk presented the September management accounts, explaining income streams are performing well. The reserves relating to the Committee were noted.

RA23/032 George Pitcher Memorial Ground

a) The grounds report was noted, including the intention of Burnham Juniors to line the new car park. Cllr Ekta Kaur Ross asked that an email be sent to all teams reminding them that there is now ample parking on site and they should not be obstructing the road outside.

b) An update on the catering unit was received, again noting the effect the weather has on the takings.

RA23/033 Parks & Playgrounds

The Committee noted the grounds report, Cllr Judith Foster mentioned that the hedges on the road side of Stomp Road needed cutting back as they were encroaching onto the footpath. A discussion then took place around all entrances to the park and it was agreed that a future project should be to look at the entrances, including the accessibility and aesthetics of them.

RA23/034 Street Furniture and Public Conveniences

The Committee discussed the idea of siting a bench in the bus shelter on the green,

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including the options presented by the Clerk for perching and leaning style options. It was agreed that a full bench should be installed on a trial basis and this recommendation should go to P&R for CIL funding.

RA23/035 Repairs and Maintenance

It was reported that the work to repair the war memorial was now complete.

RA23/036 Climate Emergency

The Committee noted the improvements and changes that had been made since the previous meeting. They requested that the title of the document to be changed to reflect the fact that the recommendations had come from the consultant. It was requested that the tree planting be highlighted as a mitigation for the fireworks event.

RA23/037 Healthy Walks around Burnham

Cllr Ekta Kaur Ross gave an update on the progress of the booklet and asked that Councillors test out the walks. The Clerk will scan the original booklet and send around to all members.

RA23/038 Litter

The idea of loaning litter picking equipment was discussed, focusing on offering the equipment out on one specific day and time each week. The Clerk to look at when best this would work.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

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