



Horndean Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE GROUNDS MEETING HELD AT JUBILEE HALL ON 27TH JANUARY 2025

PRESENT: Cllr S Freeman (Chair), Cllr A Redding (Vice Chair), Cllr J Lay, Cllr D Prosser, Cllr R Sowden, Cllr R Smith

IN ATTENDANCE : Matt Madill (Grounds Manager), Sarah Guy (Office Manager), Susan Blake (Minute Taker)

PUBLIC : No Public

Meeting opened 7pm

G 50/24/25 : To receive apologies for absence.

No Apologies

G 51/24/25 : Declaration of interest – No declaration of interest

G 52/24/25 : To open the meeting to members of the public.

No members of the public

G 53/24/25 : To receive and approve the Minutes of the Grounds Committee meeting held on Monday 25th November 2024.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Grounds Committee meeting held on 25th November 2024 be signed as a true record of the meeting
Cllr S Freeman signed.

G 54/24/25 : To receive an update in respect of the completed projects/significant works undertaken by the Countryside Team.

A verbal update was given by the Grounds Manager.

Heathland management work with Volunteers at Hazleton Common.

A new bench was installed at Jubilee Park, it now has been vandalised so in the process of re-installing.

Strimming is on going at Parsonage Field and Catherington Lilth.

Storm damage and tidy up of the trees.

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G 55/24/25 : To receive an update in respect of the Horndean Green Trail and Heritage Network

Tree sculptures, footpath restoration, information boards and timber work at Catherington Lith has been commissioned - all funded by the DEFRA grant of £35k and to be completed by March 31st. An article featuring the Green Trail and Heritage Network is soon to be published in the Petersfield Post.

Cllr Redding thanked Chris Andrews and his Footpath Volunteer colleagues for arranging a successful visit by our local MP Damian Hinds to the Parish Nature Reserves in December.

G 56/24/25 : To receive a verbal update in respect of the renewal of Catherington Down lease

Verbal update took place.

Grounds committee in communication with Mr S Peach. Meeting to be held 10th February 2025 to discuss, (Mr S Peach, Grounds Manager and Councillors)

G 57/24/25 : To receive and consider the suggestion of a PitchPower assessment in respect of HPC's football pitches

3 pitches at Five Heads Recreation and 2 pitches currently at Jubilee Field

It was agreed to recommend to Council to undertake a PitchPower Assessment in respect of the football pitches at both Five Heads Recreation Ground and Jubilee Park at a cost of £100 per site.

G 58/24/25 : To receive and consider the quotations received in respect of the removal of gym equipment at Five Heads Recreation Ground.

Gym equipment quotes were circulated

Quote 1 recommended – All agreed

To go to the next Full Council Meeting 10/02/2025

G 59/24/25 : To receive and consider the quotations received in respect of the repairs to be undertaken within Jubilee play area (playhouse ramp).

Playhouse ramp quotes circulated

Quote 1 recommended – All agreed

To go to the next Full Council Meeting 10/02/2025

G 60/24/25 : To receive and consider the quotations received in respect of the repairs to be undertaken within Jubilee play area (swing)

Grounds Manager circulated one quote.

To be brought to the next Grounds Committee Meeting once more quotes have been obtained.

G 61/24/25 : To receive and consider the quotations received in respect of the repairs to be undertaken at Deep Dell play area



Quotations circulated – Grounds agreed to recommend to Council to proceed with repairs using CIL Funding

G 62/24/25 : To receive and consider the draft Dell Piece West Management Plan

Deferred to next meeting (31st March 2025)

G 63/24/25 : To receive and consider the adjacent landowners request to replace fencing at Catherington Lilth

HPC own the land – request not recommended by Grounds Committee, it is a marker fence Grounds Manager to respond.

G 64/24/25 : To receive and consider the request from a resident to place a memorial tree or bench within Blendworth

Brief discussion took place.

Grounds Manager does not recommend as we do not own or have much land in Blendworth. Cllr D Prosser suggested Crockley Park, requestor to be advised

G 65/24/25 : To receive an update regarding the placement of a notice board with Morrisons.

To continue to stay with Grounds Committee – need to confirm with Morrisons where the notice board can be placed. Cllr S Freeman to investigate.

G 66/24/25 : To receive and consider the removal of the green biological growth present on the War Memorial within the village.

Cllr J Lay expressed how difficult it is to maintain.

Grounds Manager has cleaned the named panels on Horndean War Memorial as advised by Common Wealth War graves commission – more advice to be sought.

G 67/24/25 : To receive and consider the current placement of the bench at Jay Close in respect of the complaints received from two residents.

A discussion took place and it was agreed that the bench is a popular well used facility. It was believed that the bench was originally installed by public consultation to enhance the space. Emails to be sourced.

G 68/24/25 : To receive and consider the projects eligible for Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding, and agree the way forward.

CIL funding application open 27th Jan to 21st March 2025

Cllr A Redding to complete CIL forms.

It was agreed that the Grounds Committee would complete a composite application for CIL funding for

- A multi-use games area (MUGA), to replace the basketball court
- Fitness/gym equipment replacement due to age

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- Accessible path

Next meeting March 31st 2025

Meeting closed 8.45pm

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Date 31/3/25 -