

Goudhurst Parish Council



YOUTH & HOUSING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting held on 13 April 2021 at 19.30 via Zoom

Present: Cllrs Antony Harris, Phil Kirkby (Chairman) and David Knight.
Mrs Claire Reed, Clerk.

1. Apologies

Cllrs Craig Broom and Jayne Russell (no reasons given).

2. Declarations of interest

There were none

3. Proposals for the next project

It was **agreed** that a shortlist of projects should be drawn up by the committee and shared with the Community for feedback and suggestions. This will primary be done via the e-newsletter and social media channels. It was further **agreed** that a cross-committee working group, to include members of the community, should be established with the Amenities Committee to take a holistic approach to the management and use of the Glebe Fields. **Action: Cllr Phil Kirkby and Clerk**

4. Back Lane Play Area

It was **noted** that most points raised in the monthly Play Area safety inspections have been resolved however, repairs to the picnic bench and the emptying of the litter bin are still outstanding. It was **agreed** that Clerk will seeks quotations for repairs to the bench and that the issue of the litter bin not being emptied by TWBC's contractor should now be escalated by Clerk. **Action: Clerk**

It was **noted** that the grass in the high traffic areas of the Play Area has died. It was agreed that advice should be sought from Council's contractor. **Action: Clerk**

5. Chequer Field

Transfer of ownership. It was noted that Clerks are still awaiting notification that the transfer to GPC, from TWBC, has taken place. It was agreed that Clerk should ensure the agronomists report on the drainage issues carried out approximately 5 years ago will be released when the transfer is finalised.

Drainage works. It was **agreed** that a meeting with the original drainage contractor should be arranged to seek advice on the works needed and approximate costs. **Action: Clerk**

6. Community Garden

The Committee members sent their best wishes to Romilly Wallis-Hosken, Chair of the Community Garden Steering Group who is unwell. It was **noted** that the land to the south of the

Balcombes Hill car park had been suggested as a possible site for the garden. However, the Parish Council have previously had difficulty contacting the owner.

8. Date of the next meeting: Tuesday 15 June 2021, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall (subject to changes in legislation).

The meeting closed at 20.18

Claire Reed
Clerk