

# Goudhurst Parish Council



## AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a Meeting held on 23 May 2023 at 7.30pm in Goudhurst Village Hall

### PARTICIPANTS

*Councillors Present:* Cllrs David Knight, Antony Harris, Geoff Mason and Alison Webster.

*Officers Present:* Rebecca Barden, Assistant Clerk.

### ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

117/23 It was **resolved** unanimously to elect Cllr David Knight as chairman of the committee.

### APOLOGIES

118/23 Apologies were accepted from Cllr Phil Kirkby (working) it was noted that Ed Read-Cutting was absent.

### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

119/23 There were none.

### MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

120/23 It was **resolved** that the minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 21 March 2023, and previously distributed to members via Board Intelligence, be accepted as a correct record.

### QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

121/23 There were none.

### MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

#### 122/23 *Committee Objectives*

The Committee **agreed** that the objective of the committee is to; *maintain and enhance the amenities the council provide to residents and visitors of the Parish.* Action: Clerk

#### 123/23 *Committee Priorities*

The Committee confirmed priorities as detailed in Appendix 1. It was **agreed** that a 3-year plan, detailing timescales for the delivery of such, should be drafted and approved at the next committee meeting. **Action: Assistant Clerk to agenda.**

### OUTSTANDING PROJECTS

#### 124/23 *Cycle Stands*

It was **resolved** to proceed with the purchase of 2no. 6 bike cycle racks to be installed at Goudhurst Club and Balcombes Hill Car Park. **Action: Assistant Clerk to place order**

#### 125/23 *Replacement bench for The Plain*

It was **resolved** to accept the quotation of £450.00 from John Fermor to repair the existing tree seat on The Plain. **Action: Clerk to inform the contractor.**

#### 126/23 *Replacement footpath map for Balcombes Hill*

It was **agreed** to postpone a decision on the replacement board until the next meeting. **Action: Assistant Clerk to agenda.**

127/23 *Information board for The Plain*

It was **resolved** to establish a working party comprising Cllrs Geoff Mason, Caroline Richards and Alison Webster to draft and collate the information for the board. **Action: Cllrs Geoff Mason, Caroline Richards and Alison Webster**

028/23 *Trail Tale*

The Committee **agreed** to postpone a decision on TrailTale pending the installation of the new information board on The Plain and a decision on a new footpath map for Balcombes Hill.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

029/23 *History Board*

It was **noted** that a member of the public had contacted Cllr Antony Harris regarding the old History Board on The Plain. It was **agreed** that the future of the board should be considered for addition to the project list as a priority C. **Action: Assistant Clerk to agenda.**

030/23 *Litter bin at Lurkins Rise*

It was **noted** that a litter bin audit had not been completed for a few years. It was agreed that an audit should be considered for addition the project list as a priority B. **Action: Assistant Clerk to agenda.**

031/23 *Green Spaces Management.* It was **noted** that the Sussex Lund fund is open for applications on 01 June with the panel meeting to consider applications in December.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Next Amenities Committee Meeting on Tuesday 22 August 2023, 7.30 pm in Goudhurst Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.44pm

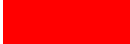


Claire Reed  
Clerk

Appendix 1 to Minutes of an Amenities Committee Meeting 23.05.23

07.06.23

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS/PROJECTS			
Item	Action	Priority	Complete
Remote access to the CCTV at the public conveniences	Clerks to obtain quotes - agenda Aug.	A	
The Plain and pond maintenance and enhancements	Cllr Mason to seek advice/ draft plan	A	
Cycle stands -purchase and siting	Clerks to order stands	A	
Tree Seat -replacement The Plain	Contractor to be enagaged	A	Yes
Green Spaces Management – Lower Glebe Field	Cllr Mason to seek advice/ draft plan	A	
TrailTale	Committee to decide	A	
Footpath Sign - Balcombes Hill	Agenda Aug	A	
Info board for the Plain	Awaiting wording from working party	A	
The use of the telephone kiosks on The Plain	Committee to decide	B	
KCC Members grant for Petanque pitch	Clerks to chase KCC	B	
Outdoor Gym		C	

Key	
	Beyond 6 months
	3 to 6 months
	Upto 3 months