

**Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting
Held on Monday 23rd January 2023 at 7.00pm at The Old School, Castleway, Willington.**

Present: Cllrs M. Bartram (Chair), C. Mead, T. Bartram, S. Mead and J. Houghton (from 7:30pm).

In attendance: 1 Member of the public.

230123RAC/1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr. S. Macpherson and B. Davis

230123RAC/2 Variation of Order of Business.

None.

230123RAC/3 Declaration of Members' Interests

None.

230123RAC/4 To consider a resolution to close the meeting from public participation under the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960.

Not required.

230123RAC/5 Minutes

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the RAC Meeting held on 28th November 2022 were agreed as a true record.

230123RAC/6 Clerk's Report

Railway underpass painting – as the area has recently been cleared of graffiti it was **RESOLVED** to recommend that the area no longer requires painting.

Village welcome signs – the Clerk has received a response from Highways as follows:

the enquiry was for a query on upgrading the welcome to the village signs but was inspected on the 30.11.2022 to say it was not actionable as the signs are still serviceable.

As there is no budget for the Council to replace in the next 2/3 years it was **AGREED** to leave for the time being.

Tennis Coaching – The Clerk has had a meeting with the LTA and a local resident and plans are under way to get this up and running for spring. It was discussed that consideration should be given to a coded padlock as opposed to a key system (code would be changed regularly) and it was **AGREED** to recommend this to Council to save the cost of key cutting etc.

Bowls Club – it was **AGREED** that a meeting would be held with the Bowls Club ahead of the next RAC meeting to discuss the mower servicing/maintenance and annual rent. Cllrs. M. Bartram, T. Bartram, C. Mead and J. Houghton would be available to meet with them.

Hall Lane play area fencing – Clerk to obtain quotes for replacing the existing green wire fencing in the area.

230123RAC/7 Play Area Inspections

No issues to report.

230123RAC/8 Newsletter

B. Davis was not present.

281123RAC/9 Memorial for Queen Elizabeth II

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will request permission to plant a tree on the marina triangle which will include a plaque.

230123RAC/10 Village litter bins (including dog fouling bins)

Awaiting date for new bins to be fitted.

Dog fouling bags for the dispensers we have, have arrived and are now in place.

230123RAC/11 Discussion re merging RAC and FOSG Committees

Following a discussion, the RAC committee felt there was not a need to merge the 2 committees.

230123RAC/12 Matters for the next meeting

As above.

230123RAC/13 Meeting close

Meeting closed at 7.50PM.