

Clerk to the Council/RFO: J Hodgkiss
Chairman: Cllr R Ruscoe

Minutes of the **Services Committee** held at 7:15pm on **Monday 28th July 2025** in the Bayston Hill Memorial Hall.

Present: Cllrs T Clarke (TC) (Chairman), D Engler (DE), T Markham (TM), R Ruscoe (RR), C Teckoe (CT)

In attendance: Julie Hodgkiss, (JH) Clerk; Peter Orrell, (PO) Deputy Clerk, 1 MOP

S1.25/26 ELECTION OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: RR proposed Cllr C Teckoe for the position of Chairman, seconded by DE, the motion was carried and CT took the Chair. CT thanked TC for his work as committee chairman.

S2.25/26 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

RESOLVED: RR proposed TC as Vice Chair, seconded by DE, 4 members voted in favour, 1 abstention. Motion carried.

S3.25/26 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

None

S4.25/26 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

S5.25/26 PUBLIC SPEAKING/QUESTIONS AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

A MOP complimented the condition of the football pitches and also asked why all of the scrub land had not been cut for haylage. PO commented that the section that had been cut was for the benefit of spectators and was carried out free. A Cllr commented that there is wildlife in the uncut section. The Chair replied that both comments would be looked into.

S6.25/26 MINUTES

RESOLVED: RR proposed to approve for accuracy and sign the minutes of the Services Committee held on Monday 13th January 2025 seconded by DE and agreed by all members present.

S7.25/26 PARISH WALKABOUT

PO presented the updated spreadsheet of actions. Next walkabout to be arranged for early Autumn.

S8.25/26 FLOODLIGHTS

After discussion members agreed to replace the existing bulbs in the floodlights. PO to gather quotes. Easy access to court via hinged panel to be researched.

- S9.25/26 **PARRS POOL TREES**
Members requested additional quotes for work, Clerk to check lease for ownership to see if permissions needed. Tree survey – more quotes needed.
- S10.25/26 **LONGMEADOW EQUIPMENT**
RESOLVED: RR proposed to approve the repair of an item of play equipment, seconded by DE, 4 members voted in favour, TC voted against, motion carried.
- S11.25/26 **HEALTH AND SAFETY**
RESOLVED: CT proposed to approve Health and Safety documents, seconded by DE and agreed by all members present. PO to disseminate to staff. Clerk to speak to a Cllr not a member of this committee who has a background in H&S to see if he will be a “link” Cllr on this.
- S12.25/26 **HIRE FEE**
RESOLVED: RR proposed to set an ad hoc fee of £50 on use of our facilities for any use not listed on our price list, seconded by TM and agreed by all members present. A further booking request was deferred to Full Council when additional information is received.
- S13.25/26 **PARISH VEHICLES**
Item deferred to Full Council after receipt of information.