MINUTES OF MEETING OF AMENITIES COMMITTEE
23 April 2025
10:30, Woolton Hill Church Hall

Chairman:	**Cllr Rand (Chair)**
Present:	**Cllr Hurst, Cllr Cooper, Cllr Blakeway**
Clerk:	**Amy White**

1. **Welcome and apologies**
   Cllr Roots sent her apologies.

2. **Declarations of Interest**
   None**.**

3. **To Agree Minutes of Previous Meeting**
   The Minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2025 were agreed and signed by the Chairman, Cllr Rand.

4. **To update on actions from previous meeting:**
   Action: Cllr Hurst to contact MP Kit Malthouse to ask if he might be able to attend an 'official' opening of the boardwalk. Actioned. Kit has responded and has confirmed 20th June at 3pm.
   Action: Cllr Hurst will write a community engagement update including boardwalk, APM etc, for the Spectrum May edition. Actioned.

5. **Footpaths**
   The Clerk and Denys will work directly with the footpath wardens to ask the Lengthsman (due in May) to cut back the priority footpaths.
   Action: Clerk to ask Corinne Davis-Cooke whether there is any money left in the stile-to-gate pot for further conversions.

6. **Boardwalk project led by HCC**
   The project is nearly complete (pictures will be posted on Facebook). Cllr Blakeway is meeting with a reporter from NWN and the HCC team and volunteers on Thursday 24th April at 10am.

7. **Recreation Grounds**
   The S106 spend is now complete. The goal mouths are being well used and the work completed by DRS Ltd is fantastic. The play area repairs will be completed at the end of this week, and the ball wall removal at Heath End recreation is now in progress.

8. **Parish Field and biodiversity update**
   Drainage options: Cllr Rand has met with Lampards to discuss the options and solutions for the field. The discussion also included options for the improvement of the path surface. Cllr Rand was impressed with their solutions. The quote received is £2951 excl VAT.
   The committee agreed to recommend this solution to full council on 28th April.
   The CIL reserve will used.
   The replacement trees seems to have taken well in the field.

9. **Biodiversity stand at APM**
   Cllr Roots had sent in draft wording regarding biodiversity for the APM.
   Action: Cllr Rand will use the biodiversity wording to create a board with extra pictures for the APM.

10. **EWVH- proposal for use of Scribbens Reserve**
    Cllr Roots sent some information in advance for a discussion on how to make use of the Scribbens Reserve of £5000.
    The Committee felt that further discussion was required before taking it to full council. This will be added as an agenda item for the next meeting.

11. **Repainting of phone box in East End**
    The committee is delighted with the repainting of the East End phone box by a member of the parish. The paint will be paid for by EWPC.

12. **Spectrum**
    The wording by Cllr Roots on biodiversity will be used for the June entry.
    Action: Clerk to send biodiversity wording to spectrum editor for June entry.

13. **ASB on EWPC property**
    Some people have had a BBQ on the parish field. A reminder note on the use of the field was sent out on social media.
    One CCTV camera went offline for a few hours. It was reported to Cybertronix but is now back online.

14. **General Maintenance**
    The Lengthsman has been and cleaned all road signs along the WH Road and Church Road. They are next due 15th May.
    A 'No Dogs' sign has fallen off the pedestrian gate at WH recreation ground.
    Action: Clerk to ask for a quote for a replacement 'No Dogs' sign at the WH recreation ground.

15. **Items to take to next meeting:** EWVH/biodiversity project- proposal for use of Scribbens Reserve further discussion.

Next meeting: XXXXX 2025

Actions from 23 April meeting

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