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**MINUTES OF THE
RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, 82 LOWER STREET, PULBOROUGH,
RH20 2DW ON MONDAY 7th APRIL 2025**

PRESENT: Cllrs Curd (Chair), Cllr Campbell, Clarke, and Hunt

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Beverly Nobbs (Deputy Clerk) and 2 Members of the public

The meeting opened at 6:00pm

56. APOLOGIES FOR THE ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and reasons approved for Cllr Marcuson (Personal Commitment), Cllr Esdaile (Personal Commitment) and Cllr Martin (Personal Commitment)

57. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND CHANGES TO REGISTER OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest, there was one change to the Register of Interests made. Cllr Campbell is no longer a member of the Cricket Club.

58. MINUTES

The Committee **RESOLVED** to agree and approve the Minutes of the Meetings held on 10th October 2024 and 14th November 2024 as true and accurate record of the proceedings and the Chair signed them.

59. PUBLIC SPEAKING

There were no public speakers present and therefore the Chair moved on to the next agenda item.

60. RECREATION CLUB REPORTS

A member of the Cricket Club; Works are being completed on the square for the start of the season. They have a new social media consultant who has is improving their social media presence. The Cricket team has been promoted from league 12 to 11 for the coming season. Sponsorship has been reduced by a sponsor which means that the Club may struggle from June onwards.

61. CLERKS REPORT

The Deputy Clerk gave a full report on our new Groundsman, covering his excellent work which is taking place in and around the village.

The broken culvert in Rivermead is being repaired/renewed on 14th April 2025.

Members **NOTED** the Clerks report.

62. YOUTH PROVISION IN PULBOROUGH

To consider a proposal for a working sub-committee of 2/3 members to look at Youth provision, with the intention of coming back at the next meeting with a costed plan suitable for implementation.

Members have resolved that Cllr Hunt, Campbell, Curd and Marcuson will form the sub-committee and report back to this meeting.

Members discussed Little Monkeys Play Group and whether or not to support them for the coming financial year.

Members **RESOLVED** to support Little Monkeys play group for a further year.

63. PULBOROUGH CRICKET CLUB

Members noted a request from a former Chair – to agree an acceptable rent and terms for Pulborough Cricket Club to cement the playing agreement for 2025.

Members **NOTED** the request; this will be looked into later when the contract renews.

64. PULBOROUGH CRICKET CLUB PERMISSION REQUEST

Members considered a request from Pulborough Cricket Club for a gazebo to be erected on match days throughout the cricket season to enable teas to be provided. The gazebo would be up for the duration of the game and then removed. All rubbish would be cleared away and the site left clean and tidy.

Members resolved to allow Pulborough Cricket Club to erect a gazebo on the Recreation field on match days.

AOB - VE Day Celebrations the Deputy Clerk will install the Tommys once permission has been sought from WSCC.

Members discussed holding Pultopia Festival again this year, the suggested date is 21st June 2025.

Members **RESOLVED that** Cllr Campbell will ask our events coordinator to organise this for us.

65. PAYMENTS

Members **RESOLVED** approval of the Payments List, which was duly signed by two, authorising members, comprising the following payments:

WSCC	£7,806.61
WSALC	£2,060.65
Pulborough Social Centre	£2,100.00
Viking Office	£61.80
Bearded Hero	£125.70
Burgess & Randall	£45.00
Heather Richardson Consultancy	£50.00
Final Finishes Window & Exterior Cleaning	£250.00
Business Stream	£18.55
Paul Richards	£1743.75

Meeting Closed at 7:31 pm

.....**CHAIR**

.....**DATE**