

MINUTES of the **GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING** held on **Tuesday 9th June 2026**
at Summercourt Memorial Hall commencing at 7pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs Hearl, Johns, Shaw, Cocks, Cole, Kessell & Farrell.

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Wimberley, Hook, Beardwell,

26/GP01 Election of Committee Chairman for municipal year.

Proposal by Cllr Shaw, Cllr Hearl is General Purposes Committee Chairman for the municipal year, seconded Cllr Farrell, carried

No further nominations.

It was **resolved** Cllr Hearl is General Purposes Committee Chairman for the municipal year.

26/GP02 Election of Committee Vice-Chairman for municipal year.

Proposal by Cllr Shaw, Cllr Farrell is General Purposes Committee Vice-Chairman for the municipal year, seconded Cllr Cocks,

No further nominations.

It was **resolved** Cllr Farrell is General Purposes Committee Vice-Chairman for the municipal year.

26/GP03 Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

None.

26/GP04 Minutes of the Committee Meeting of 10th June 2025 to be approved.

Proposal by Cllr Kessell to approve the minutes of 10th June 2025, seconded Cllr Shaw, unanimous.

The above was duly **resolved**.

26/GP05 Matters arising

None.

26/GP06 Playing Fields

a. Thomas Playing Field

- i. To review and consider Annual Play Inspection reports and to resolve maintenance, approve assoc. expenditure (if any)

Reports circulated via email prior to the meeting.

The priority is the skate ramps they need screws replacing, Handyman is saying wood underneath the surface needs replacing as screws are not gripping. There is painting that needs doing and surface repair of goal mouths but these can be undertaken by handymen.

Quote has been requested for skate ramp, to defer.

b. Indian Queens Recreation Ground

- i. To review and consider Annual Play Inspection reports and to resolve maintenance, approve assoc. expenditure (if any).

Reports circulated via email prior to the meeting.

MUGA needs welding and small surface repairs, skate ramps have missing screws, Clerk to raise this with Handyman as the wood has been replaced on these ramps, bmx track is fine. Main issue here is the zip wire, which Council is already aware, the seat has been removed and a quote received for £665 + VAT. Clerk has also

requested quote to replace table tennis legs, this will need removing to their workshop so they can see what is required before they are able to quote, does Council want this item repaired or removed?

Proposal by Cllr Cocks, to repair zipwire, Clerk to organise mobile welding and to remove table tennis table and dispose, seconded Cllr Farrell, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

c. Any other matters relating to Playing Fields.

None.

26/GP07 Allotments, Moorland Road- request for standpipe to plot, to consider and resolve, approve assoc. expenditure (if any).

Clerk has requested a quote, but has not been received, concerned this could cause a precedent.

Proposal by Cllr Cole, to wait for the quote, seconded Cllr Farrell, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

26/GP08 St Ender Cemetery- to consider and resolve felling of storm damaged tree (quote enc), to approve assoc. expenditure (if any).

Quote to fell tree including removal is £350 + VAT.

Proposal by Cllr Cocks to approve, seconded Cllr Hearl, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

26/GP09 Indian Queens Cemetery- to consider repair to hardwood bench, to resolve and approve assoc. expenditure.

The bench is currently taped off. Clerk has asked Timbercraft whether it is something they can do, but they only deal in soft wood and the planks are much thicker. The bench does have a plaque on it but can't trace owner, it has been taped off for approx. 3 months and no one has come forward.

Proposal by Cllr Shaw to remove the plaque and get rid of the bench, if there is a bench with no plaque place it on there if not, to keep the plaque safe, seconded Cllr Johns, carried.

The above was duly **resolved**.

26/GP10 Correspondence

None.

26/GP11 Other urgent business.

None

26/GP12 To set date and request agenda items for next GPC meeting.

The next meeting will be July after Planning Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.25pm.

Signed : **(Chairman)** **(dated)**