

**DOULTING PARISH COUNCIL**

<p align="center"><b>MINUTES OF THE GLEBELAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014</b></p> <p align="center"><b>VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: ST ALDHELMS SCHOOL COMMUNITY ROOM, DOULTING @ 9.15am</b></p>			
		Present: Ann Crowcombe (Chair), Mary Newman, Margaret Hares, Emma Hill, David Kimber; also in attendance Alan Butcher (Clerk)	
	1	<u>Apologies for absence.</u> Barry Clarke	
	2	<u>Public Forum:</u> The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation.  No members of the public were present.	
	3	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u>  None.	
	4	<u>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</u> Minutes of the meeting held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2014 were agreed and signed as a true record.	
	5	<u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting:</u> a: Stones to boules park – Ann to liaise with Dean at Torr Works over delivery of the stones. It was agreed to position them away from the boundary wall.	
	6	<u>Working Group Report:</u> From previous meeting: a: Hedge by Carey Close – this had been cut back, it was agreed that the working party should clear the remaining stalks. b: Ragwort – Mary felt that this should be controlled rather than eradicated but there was some concern about whether there was an effect on humans; Ann to research this aspect. c: Brambles and Japanese knotweed – there were a number of locations where knotweed was becoming prevalent including a location to the side of the village hall car park which was difficult to access. The optimum time to deal with the knotweed would be late spring/early summer next year and it was agreed to ask the Parish Council to liaise with the village hall over the treatment of this area. Brambles needed to be cut back in a number of places and it was agreed that the next working party should concentrate on this. It was agreed to purchase a weedkiller applicator to treat the brambles and knotweed. d: Removal of saplings – confirmation required that this had been done.	

		<p>e: Annual cut – this had been done but it was agreed that in future it should be carried out in September (subject to seasonal variation) when the grass was dry.</p> <p>Items for this meeting:</p> <p>f: Volunteers jobs – Mary produced a list of jobs which included cutting back brambles in a number of locations, removal of tree guards and the cutting back of overhanging vegetation in a number of places. Mary to provide list for next working party.</p> <p>g: Date of next Working Party – 24<sup>th</sup> November at 9am.</p>	
	7	<p><u>General and Specific Maintenance:</u></p> <p>a: Repairs to football wall and fencing – Ann to contact Shepton Mallet Fencing for a quotation for repairs to the enclosure fencing and also the erection the lectern sign.</p> <p>b: Graffiti to skate park – to be dealt with next spring.</p> <p>c: Removal of grid bar in skate park - David and Barry had the matter in hand.</p> <p>d: Goal posts provision – it was agreed to seek a quotation for the provision of another playwall on the opposite side of the enclosure.</p>	
	8	<p><u>Review of signs:</u></p> <p>a: Wording to proposed signs – the clerk circulated the revised wording which was agreed subject to minor changes and editing. The final version to be circulated. It was agreed that one each of the three signs would be provided with four standard “No dog” signs posted around the enclosure.</p> <p>b: Budget for signs – clerk to seek quotations for the signs as proposed.</p> <p>c: Erection of Lectern sign – Ann to speak to Shepton Mallet Fencing.</p>	
	9	<p><u>Financial:</u></p> <p>a: Matters raised for consideration by Parish Council. Purchase of a weedkiller applicator.</p> <p>b: Clerk to prepare review of budget for discussion at the next meeting.</p>	
	10	<p><u>Matters of Report:</u> Emma to contact Plantlife to advise that the proposed survey would only cover the area of the Glebeland. It was agreed that weedkiller should be used on invasive plants in areas where the grass was kept shorter.</p>	
	11	<p><u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u></p> <p>The next meeting to be on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015, 9.15 at The Community Room.</p>	

The meeting closed at 10.50am.

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