

DOULTING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE GLEBELAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2019 VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: DOULTING VILLAGE HALL, DOULTING @ 10am	
	<u>Present:</u> Ann Crowcombe (Chair), Margaret Hares and Mary Newman; also in attendance Alan Butcher (Clerk)
	<u>Apologies for absence.</u> Emma Hill, Jan Crewe.
	<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.
	<u>Declarations of Interest:</u> None.
	<u>Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:</u> Minutes of the meeting held on 30 th April 2019 were agreed and signed as a true record.
	<u>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting:</u> Covered below.
	<u>Working Group Report:</u> i) Skate park works: New Lock for gate. In hand with Mary. Asphalt repairs. Clerk to speak to tarmac contractor. Trim around top of slopes, replace litter bin in original position: Litter bin to be refixed in position near gate. The slopes need cutting back but care needs to be taken as to the extent to the cutting back. ii) Brambles and Japanese knotweed. There are extensive brambles in a number of places and these need to be cut down and sprayed both now and in the spring. iii) Trees Tree Guards and stakes. Remaining guards to be removed. Suggested works to trees by an outside contractor; it was agreed to seek a quote from contractors to carry out several tasks including removing dead and overhanging branches. Mary to speak to Emma about extent of works. Final decision to be made at the next meeting. There was some discussion about Ash die-back and it was agreed to keep a watching brief on the disease and any action required. iv) Hedges, fencing and gates. Fencing to corral – in hand with the clerk. Advice to be sought about whether the west hedge is ready for laying. It was also noted that the hedge in the dogleg needs cutting back.

	<p>v) Repairs and maintenance items for 2019 Preservative treatment of tables – Mary had purchased the preservative at a cost of around £36; it was agreed that she should be reimbursed for this purchase. The table in the stone park requires attention. Shepton Men’s Shed had quoted £75 to refurbish the table if this was feasible otherwise the table should be scrapped. It was agreed to ask them to look at the table. Dogs on lead signs. Clerk to order one sign at a cost of £6.07.</p> <p>vi) Grass cutting – mowing eastern half of corral. SM Landscapes to be asked to pick up grass when cut except in the corral. The south west corner of the corral not to be mown. The main cut to be scheduled toward the end of October.</p> <p>vii) Volunteer and working party jobs: Remove saplings around corral fence and playwall. This was still to be done and treatment applied to kill roots. Lower young tree growing along the fence of 8 Carey Close. This to be cut off although this could be left until a later date. Remove hawthorn saplings and clear path areas. Dead branches, etc to be removed and chipped. Outside contractor to be asked to chip material when he attends to the trees mentioned above. Cut back hedge in dogleg area. Noted above.</p> <p>viii) Dates for working parties: Wednesday 9th, Tuesday 15th October; Tuesday 5th, Friday 8th November all at 9 – 9.30am. The need for more volunteers was discussed.</p>
	<p><u>General Glebeland Matters:</u> None</p>
	<p><u>Financial:</u> i) Matters raised for consideration by Parish Council. Reimbursement of the cost of the preservative to Mary.</p>
	<p><u>Matters of Report:</u> None.</p>
	<p><u>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</u> to be agreed after the next PC meeting.</p>

The meeting closed at 10.50am

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