

DOULTING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE GLEBELAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 13th JUNE 2023 AT THE COMMUNITY ROOM, DOULTING @ 10am

Present: Simon Baker (Chair), Mary Newman, Margaret Hares, Emma Hill and Alan Butcher (Clerk)

- 1) Apologies for absence. None.
- 2) Public Forum: The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation. No members of the public were present.
- 3) Declarations of Interest: None.
- 4) Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:
Minutes of the meeting held on 28th February 2023. These were agreed and signed as a true record.
- 5) Matters for discussion:
 - i) Matters arising from the informal meeting held on 25th April 2023. These matters were covered under the current agenda.
 - ii) Glebeland Events. No information although it was understood some events were planned.
 - iii) Skate park:
 - a) A lorry tyre had appeared in the park for use by skateboarders. Situation to be monitored with no action taken at the time being.
 - iv) Brambles and Japanese knotweed:
 - a) Brambles encroaching on the skate park to be cut back.
 - b) Knotweed shoots were appearing on the car park side of the skate park fence; Mary to speak to a local volunteer about removal.
 - v) Trees including works by Tibbs Trees:
 - a) Awaiting start date for the proposed works.
 - b) The goat willow on the north side was in poor condition, Tibbs Trees to be asked to look at the tree in due course.
 - c) A willow branch was blocking the path behind Carey Close, Simon to evaluate what action was needed if any.
 - vi) Hedges, fencing and gates.
 - a) It was noted that there were a number of problems with the fencing to the corral due to age. It was agreed that consideration should be given to replacement in 2024 and that a budget needed to be established for this work.
 - vii) Repairs and maintenance items for 2023. See below.

Draft minutes subject to acceptance at the next meeting.

- viii) Grass cutting and regular maintenance by SM Landscape. Concern was expressed about some the grass cutting to the corral and paths as well as some works which were not as expected. Some grass cutting was required on the corner of Chelynch Road and Carey Close.
- ix) Glebeland photos for SWT; in hand.
- x) Volunteer and working party jobs:
 - Rabbit holes in corral – material was available to fill the holes.
 - Preservative for tables – to be undertaken in early July.
 - Cutting back overhanging branches from footpaths.
- xi) Dates for working parties – a suitable day in week commencing 17th July was suggested.

6) Financial:

Matters raised for consideration by Parish Council. None

7) Matters of Report: None.

The meeting closed at 10.45am.

8) Date and Time of Next Meeting: 3rd October 2023.

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