

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY
27th JUNE 2022 AT 7:00PM IN THE COLYTON TOWN HALL.**

Present: Cllrs K Mills, K Clifford, S Real, A Stenning, C Pady, A Parr, J Hay, P Arnott and R Turner.
Also S Haines (Clerk)

Members of Public: 0

A22/06/24 To receive and accept apologies for absence. Cllrs Gardiner and A Mills (unwell) Cllrs Denny and Jarman (prior commitments)

A22/06/25 The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 23rd May (Appendix F) to be approved. Cllr Parr proposed these be approved, seconded by Cllr Stenning and agreed by all.

A22/06/26 Matters arising from the Minutes. Cllr Pady wished Nunsford Lane to remain on the agendas to keep the matter alive. He also requested a report from the handy man for the next meeting regarding the Parish Inspection notes.

A22/06/27 Declarations of interest. None.

A22/06/28 Democratic Period.

A22/06/29 Cows on the Playing Fields. Farmer has contacted clerk complaining that his cows keep crossing the river and getting on to the football pitch. He puts a barbed wire fence in the river to stop them crossing but dog walkers keep removing the fence, letting the cows through, he also complained that he picks up dozens of bagged dog mess which is just left in the field and highly hazardous to cattle. Cllr Pady suggested that the clerk writes to the Environment Agency explaining that the river bank has eroded, taking some fence posts with it and so therefore the fence is no longer affective, he also suggested that we write to the farmer suggesting he puts up a sign asking dog owners not to touch the fence. This was seconded by Cllr Arnott and agreed by all.

A22/06/30 Groups using the Peace Memorial Playing Fields. Cllr Arnott suggested that the clerk write to the Reece Strawbridge booking secretary and the playing fields and ask if any bookings may be likely to spill outside then could the PC be notified. This was agreed.

A22/06/31 Four untidy plots up at the Allotments. Cllr Parr asked that these four be written to, this was seconded by Cllr Arnott and agreed by all.

A22/06/32 Himalayan Balsam growing on the river bank at PMPF. Cllr Stenning worked hard for four hours pulling this up and barely made a dent, volunteers are hard to come by, last year only two people showed up to help. Cllr Pady suggested this be put on the next committee agenda so that we can research what other communities are doing and then make sure we are more proactive on this issue next year.

A22/06/33 Items bought to the Chairs attention after the agenda was published to be noted.

Cllr Parr asked that the newly appointed gardener be contacted and asked to concentrate on Govers Meadow and any areas around gazebos.

Cllr Pady reported that a request has been put in for a kissing gate to replace a style on fp35.

Cllr Pady reported that a letter has been written by the Public Rights of Way team which will go to a cabinet meeting on 30th June strongly advising that the path at Holyford Woods be opened and made a definitive path.

Note that the bridge at Freakhayne will be taken away for maintenance on 28/06 it should be replaced on 14/07.

A22/06/34 Date of next Meetings,

Full CPC Meeting – Monday 11th July
Committees meeting – Monday 25th July.

Meeting closed: 20:25