MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Monday 15th September 2025 at 6:00pm, Small Meeting Room
Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

DRAFT MINUTES

Present: Cllrs G Hadjigeorgiou (Chair) P Hyde (Vice Chair) R Fife, H Chadbourne-Doyle and Y Greenfield
In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk) D Green (Climate Action Group) and J Sylvester (Chair of GHA)

(Meeting commenced 6:15pm)

AM25/526 **Apologies for Absence** - D List (Grounds & Amenities Manager)

AM25/527 **Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda** – Cllrs R Fife and P Hyde have allotments

AM25/528 **Minutes of meeting held on July 29th 2025** – Approved as a true record and signed by the Chair

AM25/529 **Action log from previous meeting reviewed and updated as follows:**

- D List to remove old signs from Allotment gates following installation of new ones and re-align catch on gate at Lee Road end of allotments, as difficult to open.

AM25/530 **Request from Cllr S Smith / Climate Action Group for contribution towards disposal of Tetra-Pak recycling considered.** This item was brought forward.
D Green advised that the Wheatsheaf Pub had authorised the use of an area of the carpark (previously used for recycling) for the location of proposed new recycling bins supplied by 'First Mile'. Having first approached GBC for assistance she was now looking for support from the Parish Council. She reported that there is no contractual obligation and that the order can be cancelled at any time. Councillors were very supportive of the concept and it was agreed that they should only be used for Tetra-Paks initially, with signage put on them, to monitor their used. Agreed for the Parish Council to sign up and pay for for 2 collections per week of the 240 litre bins. Clerk to action, Deputy Clerk to follow-up.
D Green left at this point

AM25/531 **Allotments**

(i) GHA Update
J Sylvester reported on problems with the 'Muck Plot'. The area the GHA had cordoned off had been over-filled with rubbish and was encroaching on the dyke and the adjacent plot. Action – Deputy Clerk to check terms in agreement first and draft letter to all tenants requesting them to stop dropping further waste into this area as it is causing problems. Letter to be approved by Cllrs Hadjigeorgiou and Hyde before sending. Once rotted down, GHA will dismantle it.

(ii) Muck Plot issue – As above

(iii) Waiting List Update – Plot 54 is still very overgrown and receiving complaints from neighbouring plots. Noted that the tenant had domestic issues which were preventing them from spending time on the plot and was hoping to be able to keep it. Clerk to write letter asking to see reasonable progress and for outstanding fee to be paid within 30 days of

next inspection. This is the last remaining plot that needs action. Some tenants will be leaving after Christmas.

J Sylvester left at this point

AM25/532 **Roberts Recreation Ground**

- Clerk reported that there had been an issue with the freisling unit becoming very wobbly when Grounds & Amenities Manager was on leave. Suppliers had been contacted and visited and tightened shoes for posts. Advised to keep an eye on it and report any further problems.
- Trampoline currently out of action – requires repair
- Zip slide currently out of action – requires repair
- Posts from old sign need to be removed
- Clerk presented proposed new wording and layout for sign. Approved. To be ordered.

AM25/533 **War Memorial –** Clerk and Grounds & Amenities Manager to discuss ideas regarding hedging with residents Steve and Jane.

AM25/535 **The Grove –** Picnic in the Park up coming– will need to be prepared.

AM25/536 **Old School Building –** Clerk had contacted local door fitter to look at replacing back door, but not suitable for composite doors. To be sanded down, filled and re-painted instead. Blinds being measured for quote tomorrow.

AM25/538 **Information update** – Items not requiring a decision

AM25/539 **Date of next meeting** – Monday 17th November at 6:15pm

Signed:_____ **Date:_____**

Chair of Amenities Committee

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