

WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting

17th June 2025 at 7:40pm

Wendover Community Library, High Street, Wendover HP22 6DU

Present: Councillors Worth (Chair), Ballantine, Gallagher, Porter, Standen, Thornton, and Washington

Clerk & Minutes: Andy Smith

Members of Public: 1

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

A25.001 Cllr Worth was proposed and **ELECTED** unanimously as Chair

A25.002 Cllr Standen was proposed and **ELECTED** unanimously as Vice Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

A25.003 Cllr Walsh sent his apologies, which were **ACCEPTED** by the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A25.004 None.

4. MINUTES

A25.005 The minutes of the meeting of 18th March 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record to be signed by the Chair.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A25.006 None

6. UPDATE REPORT FROM THE CLERK

A25.007 The report and an update on correspondence on the validity of purchasing locally when there was such a large price difference was **NOTED**.

7. OPEN SPACES AND HAMPDEN POND

a) London Road H&S Tree Works

A25.008 The situation regarding boundary trees was noted it was further noted that it was felt these trees were on the highway but the risk was too high to leave the trees in their current condition. As this was an urgent job it was **RESOLVED** to waive the regulation requirement for 3 quotes.

A25.009 It was **RESOLVED** to undertake the tree works as a Health and Safety risk for £2640 inc VAT from budget 4417.

8. OTHER MATTERS

a) Estates and Grounds Team Uniform

A25.010 It was **NOTED** that this was significant expenditure and advised that a uniform policy be produced for approval by Council. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase the uniform as itemised in the paper for £761 + VAT.

b) Estates equipment Purchase

A25.011 It was noted that there was £60 difference between the cheapest option and local provider. The favourable difference in warranty conditions by the local provider were noted. It was **RESOLVED** to amend the proposal so that the office approach the local supplier with our other quotes and negotiate a price deal.

A25.012 The proposal as amended was **RESOLVED** - to spend up to £375 from our preferred local supplier for the Chainsaw itemised in the paper after a negotiation on price and conditions.

c) Local Event Support

A25.013 The proposal to offer free ground hire to the local event was considered and it was noted that there should still be a fee as there is a value to what we are providing. It was proposed to amend the fee £5 per day to so there is still a charge. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the amendment.

A25.014 The proposal as amended was **RESOLVED** so the new hire fee is £15 for the three days hire.

9. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

A25.015 Opening event for skatepark on 17th August will be coming to the next meeting

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

A25.016 The next scheduled meeting of the Amenities Committee is 15th July 2025. All items for the agenda to the office by Tue 8th July 2025

11. CLOSURE OF MEETING

A25.017 As all business was transacted the meeting was closed at 8.07pm.

Signed by *Stephen Worth*

Chair to the Amenities Committee

Date: 15th July 2025