



## Minutes of a Meeting of the AMENITY COMMITTEE

held in the Parish Office, Benetfeld Road on  
Tuesday 04 June 2024 at 8:00pm

**PRESENT:** Cllrs: Paul Day, Katie Dover, Hilary Doyle, Dave Ellis, Andy Fish,  
Katherine Giles, Ian Leake, and Kiran Meka.  
**Also Present:** Ceri Rance, Clerk; Amanda Sculley, Deputy Clerk

### 5 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Amanda McLean.

### 6 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Doyle declared an interest in the item on Allotment Rules as an allotment holder.

[20.01 – The meeting was adjourned]

### 7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

John Pascoe, joint Chair of the Binfield Tennis Association (BTA), and David Harper attended to discuss the proposals for permanent floodlights on the tennis courts and the future of the association.

[20.11 – John Pascoe and David Harper left the meeting. The meeting was reconvened.]

### 8 REPORTS FOR DECISION

#### 8.1 Use of Open Spaces

The following requests had been received:

Requestor	Date & Time	Open Spaces	Purpose
All Saints with Saints Marks Churches, Binfield	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 10am to 3pm	Foxley Fields	Church BBQ
The Foxes Den CIC	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024 8am to 10pm	Foxley Fields	End of term party with BBQ and music
Binfield Resident	Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> July 12pm to 6pm	Jubilee Fields	Leaving Party/Gathering

After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Doyle, seconded by Cllr Day and **RESOLVED** that the events are agreed and it was further **RESOLVED** that it is delegated to the Clerk to consider the condition of the open spaces to agree their use, or refuse it if necessary.

#### 8.2 Allotment Rules Wording Amendment

Cllr Leake chaired the meeting for this item. The proposed amendments were not agreed. Councillors requested a wider consultation with allotment holders before changes are made.

#### 8.3 Trees funded by Binfield Women's Institute

The report was considered. It was proposed by Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Leake and **RESOLVED** that:

8.3.1 A Wedding Cake Tree, Cornus Controversa 'Variegata', is to be purchased and planted on Foxley Fields to replace the incorrect tree which was planted previously.

8.3.2 The incorrect tree will be relocated behind the Parish Office building, by the car park.

8.3.3 A budget of up to £600 was allocated from the tree budget for the work.

## 9 **REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

### 9.1 Update Report

This was **NOTED**.

### 9.2 Annual Play Inspection Report

Councillors congratulated the Amenity Officer and Parish Warden on the excellent report which listed no High or Moderate Risks and only 151 Low and 38 Very Low Risks. The continuing care of our play areas was acknowledged with thanks.

### 9.3 Open Spaces Management

Councillors expressed satisfaction with the handling of the open spaces contract tasks following the termination of the contract with the previous supplier. These works would be supplied on an as required basis and the situation would be monitored to ensure correct and adequate care.

## 10 **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**Meeting closed 9.00 pm**

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