

**Minutes of the Recreation & Amenities Committee meeting
held on Thursday, 09 April 2026 at 19:30
held in Kings Worthy Community Centre, Fraser Road**

Attendees

Councillors L. Ainscough, E. Fish (Chair), M. Hallisey, D. Lawlor & C. Smith

Clerk(s)

Lyndsey White (Deputy Clerk)

Apologies

Councillor M. Sullivan (Cllr Sullivan's reason for absence was approved)

Members of the public

One.

RA/26/051 – Public Question Time [Please note that this is the only time that the public are able to speak and is limited to 5 minutes per subject]

A member of the public spoke about Bee Orchids growing on the football pitch at Church Green and asked about the possibility of moving them to a better location within the grounds of St. Marys Church.

After a short discussion it was unanimously agree that the Council would support this.

The agenda item 10 was moved forward to this point.

RA/26/052 – To agree and sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 March 2026

The minutes of the meeting were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

RA/26/053 – Matters arising from the meeting held on 12 March 2026

None.

RA/26/054 – Lovedon Fields site

- **Grant for an interpretation board explaining the biodiversity of the meadow** – The deadline for the Grant has unfortunately been missed.
- **Allotments update including update on water supply** – The water pipe has been located ready for the meter to be fitted. The rotavating of the plots has

been completed along with the installation of compost bins and boot scraper. The metal tool lockers have now been delivered and are awaiting installation. There are still 2 vacant plots.

Action – Clerk(s) to contact top two waiting list places to chase up offer of plots.

RA/26/055 – Tree works/general maintenance

- **Parish Council tree inspection updates (including trees adjacent to Eversley Park play area & Legion Lane) including quotations for recommended works** – no update
- **Update on Fryers Close play area consultation** – A consultation report was circulated to members for consideration. Cllrs to attend site to inspect bird nesting areas where most mess would fall.

Action – Clerk(s) to get provisional costings to bring to the next meeting.

- **Actions from play area annual inspections** – Still awaiting a quotation for the work.
- **Update on resurfacing footpath between Hinton Fields and Church Lane** – The Deputy Clerk gave an update, and it was agreed to purchase new pedestrian barriers - the cost of these to be included in the quotation.
- **Review of planted areas adjacent to new cremation area** – Girl Guides to plant bulbs and tidy paths of twigs.

Actions – Clerk(s) to purchase bulbs.

Cllr Smith to produce Risk Assessment.

- **Replacement notice board for Lovedon Lane Burial Ground** – Quotations have been received and were reviewed by members.

RA/26/056 – Tree roots growing through tarmac at Lovedon Lane Burial Ground

It has been noted that there is a bulge in the tarmac where tree roots are pushing up.

Action – Clerk(s) to investigate if a repair can be carried out.

RA/26/057 – Final arrangements for Parish Council litter pick on 18th April

The final arrangements for the litter pick were discussed.

Action – Clerk(s) to purchase refreshments

RA/26/058 – Lighting at Eversley Park play area

After a discussion it was agreed to defer this item to the next Full Parish Council meeting.

RA/26/059 – Request for translocation of Bee Orchids at Church Green

Please see item RA/26/51.

RA/26/060 – Update on play tower at Eversley Park

The Deputy Clerk gave an update.

Action – Clerk(s) to send the manufacturers response to insurance company for review.

RA/26/061 – Parish Council/Recreation & Amenities committee storage

Three quotations had been received which were reviewed by members. It was agreed to include hedge plants for screening in the total budget for this.

RA/26/062 – Review of Parish Council maintenance & support services

After a discussion it was agreed to defer this item to the next Full Parish Council meeting.

RA/26/063 – Items for inclusion in Council communications

- Translocation of Bee Orchids
- Litter Pick
- Fryers Close play area
- Anti-social behaviour

RA/26/064 – Clerk’s Notices

None.

RA/26/065 – Chairman’s Notices

None.

RA/26/066 – Items for discussion at the next meeting – 11 June 2027

- Sport & Social club offer of advertising.
- Broadview fence.

Meeting Closed at 21:02

Signed:

Date: