

DUFFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Outdoor Management and Development Committee Meeting held at Cemetery Lodge, 43 Hazelwood Road, Duffield, DE56 4DQ on Wednesday 17th July 2024 at 7.00pm

J Shoesmith (Chair), K Burke, J Grieveson, P Rowen, J Thompson, D Walton **Councillors Present:**

OMD2425/82	Apologies for absence were received and accepted from			
	F Craig, the Clerk.			
	Due to the absence of the Clerk it was agreed that Cllr Shoesmith would take the			
	minutes of the meeting.			
OMD2425/83	Items to be taken with the public excluded			
	None			
OMD2425/84	Variation of Order of Business			
	None			
OMD2425/85	Declaration of Members Interests in any item to be discussed.			
	None			
OMD2425/86	Public Speaking			
	None			
OMD2425/87	Minutes of the last meeting			
	The Minutes of the Outdoor Development and Management Committee held on 17 th April 2024 were considered and approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.			
OMD2425/88	Clerk's Update Report			
	The Clerk's report was reviewed and noted by the Committee.			
OMD2425/89	Cemetery Statistics			
	The Cemetery Statistics were reviewed and noted by the Committee.			
OMD2425/90	Memorial Applications			
	An application for a memorial bench at Eyes Meadow was considered and approved.			
OMD2425/91	Biodiversity			
	A proposal for a Biodiversity Action Plan was considered and approved subject to the following matters –			
	 A review is to be undertaken of the trees being grown in the Tree Nursery to ensure it will meet future needs. 			
	- A specific proposal will be prepared regarding the entrance triangle and path at Eyes Meadow for consideration at the September Full Council meeting			
	 A review will be undertaken of weedkiller use both by Parish Council employees and contractors with consideration given to alternative options including pressure washing where appropriate. 			

	 A proposal for an information board for the trees on Gray Recreation Ground will be prepared. 					
OMD2425/92	Cemetery Matters					
	a) Materials for the Tree Nursery A request for materials for the tree nursery to a value of £300 was considered and approved subject to confirmation from the Clerk that the proposed spend was reasonable.					
	b) Future Planning Work at the Cemetery A quotation and proposals for initial work towards extending the available areas of the cemetery was considered. It was decided that further information was required before considering any recommendation to Full Council.					
OMD2425/93	Eyes Meadow Matters					
	a) Cricket Club fencing/boundary and associated matters					
	It was noted that a rent review is due in 2025 and this will therefore be considered further at the October committee meeting, along with a review of the fencing and boundary matters.					
	b) Vehicle Barrier					
	Further to consideration of views from the Church and DCC, it was agreed to proceed with the next steps of the project to include finalising quotations and consultations with other stakeholders, but with the location of the barrier altered to ensure access was not restricted on Church Drive.					
OMD2425/94	Gray Rec Matters					
	A quotation for removal/pollarding of an Ash Tree on Gray Recreation Ground was considered due to ash die back. It was agreed to accept the quotation.					
OMD2425/95	Remembrance Parade Security					
	A quotation for security provision at the Remembrance Parade was considered and approved.					
OMD2425/96	Events					
	a) Parliament Week					
	Participation in Parliament Week 2024 was considered and it was agreed to refer to Full Council in September since it will need support from a wider group of councillors					
	b) Events for 2025/26					
	The Theatre event was considered after a year's break due to low numbers. It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that the event returns for 2025 but that a date needs to be agreed that does not clash with other events in the village. Free entry is to be considered to encourage greater participation.					
	The 80 th Anniversary of VE day was considered and it was agreed that this should be marked with an event, the specifics to be discussed in readiness for a future meeting.					
	The Battle of the Bands idea for youth engagement was considered and supported. It was suggested that a link could be made with the Eyes Have It Festival for the bands or the winner to play.					

	It was agreed that the Clerk would finalise proposals for consideration at the Full Council Meeting in September.					
OMD2425/97	Review of VAP Themes					
	The Progress Record regarding the Village Action Plan Proposed Initiatives was considered with regard to the themes of the Environment and Community and Culture. It was agreed that no matters required further action at this time.					
OMD2425/98	Items to include on the next Agenda					
	None					
OMD2425/99	The date of the next meeting					
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Meeting Closed - 8.55pm

SIGNED :	1/2°	DI	Chairman

DATE: 9th Oct 2024