

## **Worth Parish Council**

### **Minutes of the Amenities & Assets Committee Meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 7.30pm at the Haven, Crawley Down**

**Present:** Cllr Wilson (Chairman) Cllr Bingle (Vice Chairman)  
Cllr Cruickshank Cllr Dymond  
Cllr Scott Cllr Williams  
  
Mrs L Bannister (Chief Officer)

*Due to the absence of Cllr Casella, Cllr Wilson acted as Chair for the meeting. Cllr Bingle was appointed as Vice Chair.*

#### **48 Public Question Time**

No members of the public were present.

#### **49 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Casella, Coote, Dorey, King and Phillips.

Absent – Cllr Stewart

#### **50 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Scott declared an interest as a member of the Crawley Down Tennis Club.

#### **51 Minutes**

It was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

#### **52 Chair's Announcements**

None.

#### **53 South Room**

It was RESOLVED to remove the requirement for taking a deposit for each hirer.

#### **54 Youth**

- a. The report was NOTED.
- b. It was RESOLVED to approve the cancellation policy.

#### **55 Crawley Down Village Green**

It was RESOLVED to recommend to the Finance & General Purposes Committee that Contractor D is appointed to fit the fences along the green and around the play area at a cost of £7,760 plus VAT.

#### **56 Royal Oak**

It was RESOLVED to ask Mid Sussex District Council to serve a S215 notice on the landowner, which would require the landowner to take steps to clean up the land as it is adversely impacting the condition of neighbouring land and buildings.

#### **57 Auchinleck Court**

It was RESOLVED to approve the transfer of land to Housing 21 for zero consideration, based on the recommendations in the report.

#### **58 Crawley Down Tennis Club**

Cllr Scott reported that:

- MSDC has now been in touch to ask what the club would like to do with the lease. Cllr Scott feels there is no point taking on a new lease as there is no longer a club due to the declining state of the facilities.
- Cllr Scott has asked MSDC what they intend to do with the land.
- A meeting of the Tennis Club is to be held to discuss the future of the club. In order to take out a lease, three trustees will be needed.
- Cllr Scott is open to other bodies taking on the lease, such as other sports clubs within

- the parish or even the Parish Council (this has not yet been discussed with the office).
- The facilities require improvements, and a clubhouse with a toilet would be needed.
- For now, it is suggested that the court is left open and free to use.
- Two of the courts are in reasonable condition, but two are not.

Padel was suggested to increase interest, but Cllr Scott thinks that would require planning permission and might be an issue for the local residents due to the noise.

Cllr Scott will report back after the meeting of the Tennis Club has been held.

*Cllr Williams arrived*

## 59 Events

It was RESOLVED to approve the use of Council owned land for the following, subject to receiving completed use of land applications:

| Event              | Location                   | Date                      |
|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Copthorne Carnival | Copthorne Village Green    | 27 <sup>th</sup> June     |
| Gig on the Green   | Crawley Down Village Green | 25 <sup>th</sup> July     |
| Crawley Down Fayre | Crawley Down Village Green | 5 <sup>th</sup> September |
| Remembrance        | Crawley Down War Memorial  | 8 <sup>th</sup> November  |
| Christmas event    | Crawley Down Car Park      | 28 <sup>th</sup> November |

## 60 Asset Register

It was RESOLVED to approve the Asset Register, subject to adding the planters at the war memorial.

## 61 Allotments

- It was NOTED that allotment markers have been constructed and are now being installed.
- Cllrs Wilson and Kipps volunteered to complete the allotment inspections and judge the annual award.

## 62 Council and Community Assets

It was NOTED that the Copthorne WI will no longer be maintaining land on Brookhill. However, a group of local residents has offered to do this on a voluntary basis.

## 63 Council Premises and Land

The completed inspection for the Copthorne Pavilion was NOTED.

## 64 Matters for Consideration submitted by the Village Working Parties

Nothing to consider.

## 65 Consideration of items for discussion by the Village Working Parties

Nothing to consider.

## 66 Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June the Haven, Crawley Down.

*Meeting closed at 8.04 pm*

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_