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## Minutes of the meeting of the COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE held in the Committee Room at Eskdale Community Centre on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30pm

## PRESENT: Cllr B Ezra (Chairman of Communities Committee), Cllr P Wood, Cllr D Field, Cllr D King, J Durden-Moore Clerk: Mr Tony Skeggs Assistant: Mr Peter Rayner Absent: None

C23/01	Cllrs D Wilmer and D King were welcomed as new members of the communities committee.				
C23/02	APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr D Wilmer.				
C23/03	OPEN FORUM FOR PARISHIONERS				
-	No members of the public were in attendance.				
C22 /04					
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	None				
C23/05					
	a) The minutes of the meeting of the Communities Committee held on the 8-November-				
	2022 were unanimously <b>AGREED</b> as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.				
	b) The action plan was reviewed and would be updated accordingly.				
C23/06	VILLAGE GREEN				
	a) War Memorial				
	There was a discussion on what we were trying to achieve with a war memorial and the				
	following points were made:				
	• Since we have memorials to those who died in WW1 and WW2 the names of those				
	people do not need to appear on any new memorial				
	Any new memorial should be non-denominational and aimed at remembering those				
	lost in all conflicts, not just WW1 and WW2.				
	<ul> <li>We could have two new memorials: a bench and a more traditional memorial suitable as a focal point for a service.</li> </ul>				
	• The vicar of St Mary's Church has agreed in principle to hold an annual remembrance				
	service outside if there is a suitable memorial. Exact arrangements and the impact on				
	the existing 6pm service in the church would need to be agreed.				
	• The best place for a bench would be the existing graveyard or the new burial ground.				
	It was AGREED that the parish council will purchase a memorial bench and will work with				
	Little Hampton Forge on a design.	Cllr Field			
	Provision of a more traditional memorial suitable for a service will continue to be	J Durden-			
	investigated	Moore			
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	b) Village Green Street Furniture There was discussion on whether to replace/relocate benches and waste bins on the green				
	and surrounding area. It was agreed that this needed to be considered along with the				
	position of any new war memorial and heritage board. The Clerk pointed out that				
	Buckinghamshire Council will shortly start work on remodelling the layby in front of the				
	school with a wider footpath and realignment of the road which will take away part of the				
	village green hence any decisions need to wait until that work is complete.				
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C23/08 PLAYGR	8 PLAYGROUND			
Planning	Planning permission was granted and the contractors are hoping to start work on 7-March.			
The wor	The work should take approximately 4 weeks.			
C23/09 SIDING	ОИТ			
Maps ide	Maps identifying where siding out is required have been completed and these will be used for			
discussio	ons with our devolved services contractor to get the work done.			
C23/10 DATE OF	F NEXT MEETING			
The next	t meeting date will be Tuesday 14-March-2023.			

The meeting closed at 20:50.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: 14-March 2023

## Action List

Date	Minute	Description	By Whom	Status
14/09/21	C21/43	Contact Agripower to obtain costings and proposed solution to fix drainage problems in waste pipe that runs along the side of the Community Centre where the PC office is.	Clerk	In Progress
12/05/22	C22/18	Work with Buckinghamshire Council to get yellow lines on corners in Hampden Road.	Clerk	In progress
12/05/22	C22/21	Continue discussions on providing electricity to the village green	Asst Clerk	In Progress
13/9/22	C22/44	Produce draft content for heritage notice board. Update – an illustrator has been found.	J Durden- Moore	In Progress
8/11/22	C22/65	Work with the Village Society to approach Buckinghamshire Council to try and progress devolving ownership of the village green to the parish council.	Clerk	In Progress
8/11/22	C22/64	Agree what footpaths need to be sided out so the clerk can then get them added to the scope of work carried out under devolved services.	Asst Clerk	In Progress
8/11/22	C22/66	Make a proposal for the boundary of a potential conservation/heritage area.	J Durden- Moore	In Progress
11/01/23	C22/41	Publicise playing field path repair once complete	Asst Clerk	
11/01/23	C22/22	Reimburse Village Society £140 for Christmas decorations and lights bought to decorate trees on village green	Clerk	Awaiting bank a/c details
11/01/23	C22/61	Publicise defibrillator installed at The Bull pub	Asst Clerk	
11/01/23	C22/61	Make contact with those responsible for the Social Services building on Stoke Leys and The Belmore Centre to see if they will agree to have a defibrillator cabinet on their buildings.	Cllr Field	

11/01/23	C23/06	Work with Little Hampton Forge to agree a design for a non-denominational/non-conflict specific war memorial bench.	Cllr Field	
11/01/23	C23/06	Make a more detailed proposal for a war memorial	J Durden-	
		suitable to hold a service around.	Moore	
11/01/23	C23/06	Prior to the March communities committee meeting, organise a site visit to the village green to discuss positioning of street furniture, heritage board and war memorial.	Asst Clerk	
11/01/23	C23/07	Obtain quotes for solar powered vehicle activated sign plus poles to fit existing sockets	Asst Clerk	