

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL, HELD AT EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICES ON TUESDAY 21ST APRIL 2026 AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllrs: David Davis (Chair), Eleanor Robinson, Mike Sharpe, Will Birch, Mel Roper, Chris Jennison & Liz Taylor

Also present: The Clerk, Sue Lewis

25/AME/086 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Wendy Thompson & Greg Blakeman reasons given and approved.

25/AME/087 **Declaration of Interest in items on the Agenda**

None

25/AME/088 **Chair's Announcements**

None

25/AME/089 **To report any Matters Arising from Minutes of the Meeting held 17th March 2026**

None

25/AME/090 **To Discuss and Consider Quotes for work on Meadow Park Paths.**

The Clerk referred to the quote for the work on the footpaths in Meadow Park and reported that the quote had now been revised and was in the sum of £8240.00. A quote was also considered for the moving of gravel from Nixon Walk to across the other side of Meadow Park in the sum of £530.00

RECOMMENDATION

That both quotes be accepted for the works to Meadow Park

**Proposed Cllr Mel Roper Seconded Cllr Liz Taylor
Agreed Unanimously**

25/AME/091 **To Consider removal of seat in Friendship Garden to a new position**

The Clerk reported that this request had been raised by a few councillors, as the seat is located directly beneath a tree and is frequently covered in bird droppings, despite regular cleaning. The Clerk also advised that the estimated cost to relocate the seat is £420.00

RECOMMENDATION

That the seat be moved to a different position in the Friendship Garden where it is not under a tree

**Proposed Cllr Liz Taylor Seconded Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously**

25/AME/092

To Discuss the Play Inspection Report and agree any repairs/maintenance

The Clerk referred to the previously circulated Playground Inspection Reports and advised that, as the issues identified were low risk, the groundsmen are working through the report and completing the required tasks. Any items beyond their capability will be brought back to the Committee. The Clerk will also contact Kenway to enquire whether they can repair the concrete at the skate park.

Two quotations were received: £1,204.83 for repairs to the trampoline in the children's play area, and £2,809.40 for a new arch and hub for the hip hop seesaw.

RECOMMENDATION

That the quote for the repairs to the trampoline and the hip hop sea say be accepted.

Proposed Cllr Will Birch Seconded Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously

25/AME/093

To Consider request from Prom Committee to use part of the Parish Council car park for Food Caravan – 4th July

The Committee agreed to the request from the Prom Committee.

25/AME/094

Update on On-Going Projects

Gateways – Clerk to email NCC/VIA for an update

Artwork – Anti-vandal coating still to be added to the doors.

Costock Road Dirt Track Cllr Mel Roper reported that a meeting had taken place with RBC to determine whether the dirt track would require planning permission. It was considered likely that it would fall under permitted development. A drawing will be submitted to RBC for their advice. A site visit was made on Friday where new stakes have been put in place near the sites of the Knotweed.

Public Toilets Refurbishment – The Clerk reported that sample tiles are being delivered tomorrow for consideration and once a decision is made, they will be able to crack on with the job.

Friendship Garden – To consider replacement shelter

Following a discussion on the two quotes received it was agreed that we go with the 5-pod shelter from Fitness Sports.

RECOMMENDATION

That the quotation for a 5 pod Anti-Vandal Teen Shelter in the sum of £8192.01 which includes installation be accepted in the colour black.

Proposed Cllr Mel Roper
Agreed Unanimously

Seconded Cllr Will Birch

25/AME/095

To Report Correspondence received since the last meeting – for information only

1. Nalc Newsletter – Noted
2. Leith Facilities – Photos of progress on Public Toilets – Noted

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

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