

SITLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the RECREATION AND LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING

**on Tuesday 9th December 2025 at 7.00 pm
Netherton Village Hall**

Present: Cllr Crow, Cllr Fearnside, Cllr Dickinson

Attending: Julia Talbot -Parish Clerk

No public attended.

1/1225.Welcomes and Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Smith

2/1225.The chairs reminder of the council's expectations for the audio or visual recording of this meeting.

Standing Order 3(l), The recording of council and parish meetings is permitted under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 but recording will be carried out in accordance with separate rules adopted by the local council to effectively and lawfully manage this activity.

3/1225.Members' Declarations of Interest

To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None declared

4/1225.Public Admissions to Meetings Act (1960)

To consider, if thought fit, a resolution under the terms of the Public Admissions to Meetings Act (1960) to exclude members of the public and press from any item which may be of a confidential nature of the business being transacted.

5/1225.Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2nd October 2025

To Approve the minutes of the last meeting as a true record.

The minutes were approved at the November Parish Council meeting.

Duly signed by the chair.

6/1225.To receive an update on ongoing matters (for information only)

a-To receive an update from previous actions/recommendations.

- To receive an update on litter picking volunteers and training.
The Parish Council are currently investigating HR services, and the volunteers will be under this service.

- To recommend the quote from Proludic LTD for £999.00.
The work has been carried out, and we are awaiting an invoice.
- To investigate removal of the rubbish from Hartley Bank community field.
Actions to be considered.
- Report footpath 7 to Wakefield Council on the width of the field.
It was investigated by Wakefield Council; Cllr Dickinson updated the meeting. Still the same.

7/1225.Hartley Bank community field and Pavilion at Balk Lane, Netherton

a-To receive an update from the Friends of Hartley Bank.

Wreath making /turning the water off for the winter discussed.

b-To receive an update on the container and agree further action required
No further action required.

c-To receive an update on the pavilion public consultation and the timeline moving towards a final design and planning.

The event was well received, with lots of constructive feedback.

Discussed were the comments. Vented areas for the toilet space.

A lot of residents noted they like the green roof, further research required on the maintenance. The process was discussed, and this is the early stage for planning.

The sub committee meeting is Tuesday 6th January 2026

8/1225. Emroyd Common

a-To receive an update from the friends of Emroyd.

Cllr Fearnside updated the meeting and the group commitments for work to be carried out. The members of the friends have changed.

b-To receive an update on the urgent tree work recently carried out.

Tree work carried out as it was hanging over the pathway. A local tree surgeon was recommended and carried out the work promptly to ensure health and safety of the area.

Discussed was whether we could utilise the local tree surgeon within the budget.

9/1225.Denby Grange

9.1-To receive an update from Denby Grange

Grant received from Wakefield Council capital grant.

10/1225.Netherton Play area

a-To receive an update and arrange consultations with the school and Youth club on the equipment they would like to see in the play area.

I am awaiting a further illustration from Sutcliffe play and then we can make the arrangements.

b-To consider the playground inspection and agree any action required.

Play inspection sent to all with highlighted risk point. A lot of the concerns were from the toddler area and the junior multi play and trim trail. Some areas of the swings need repair.

Clerk to seek quotes for two new swings.

c-To receive an update on the wet pour damage and agree action required.

The clerk has asked the ground maintenance contractor again to carry out the work as a matter of urgency.

11/1225.Footpaths and Bridle ways

Nothing to report.

12/1225.Correspondence (if any)

13/1225.Matters of an urgent nature or items for the next agenda

Matters of an urgent nature (for information only) or items for inclusion on the next agenda

14/1225.Date and Time of Next Meeting

To arrange the date and time of the next meeting.

The meetings to be quarterly.

Tuesday 17th March 7.00pm-Netherton Village Hall