

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Playing Fields, Allotments and Amenities Committee held on Thursday 19 March 2026 at 7pm at Diamond Jubilee Lodge, Woodview Road Hellesdon, Norwich NR6 5QB**

**Present:** Cllr Mike Hicks (Chairman)  
Cllr David Maidstone  
Cllr Mel Maidstone  
Cllr Shelagh Gurney  
Cllr Nigel Barker

**Also in Attendance:**

Jonathan Hall (Parish Clerk)

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

**1. Apologies and acceptance for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr David Fahy.

**2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

No Declared interests or dispensations.

**3. Approval of the Minutes from 15 December 2025**

The draft minutes had been omitted from the agenda pack and will be considered at the next meeting.

**4. Public Participation**

(Public participation shall be in accordance with Standing Orders and shall not exceed 15 minutes unless such time is extended by the Chairman).

No members of the public were in attendance.

**5. Clerk's report on committee matters**

The report was circulated to members prior to the meeting and was noted.

**6. Tree Surveys**

The committee **RESOLVED** to obtain quotes from Treecare, A T Coombes and Richard Ravencroft using the specification detailed in the report.

**7. Use of hosepipes at Allotment site**

After much discussion the Committee **RESOLVED** to leave the existing rule regarding hosepipes unchanged.

**8. Speed signage on main throughfare of the allotment site**

The committee **RESOLVED** to purchase and erect 2 x 600mm x 900mm RA1 Reflective 3mm Aluminium Composite 5 mph signs at a cost of £157.50.

**9. To consider the date, time and venue of the next meeting**

The Clerk would consider dates with the Chairman when the next meeting should take place in June 2026 and advise members in due course.

**10. The Committee RESOLVED to agree a resolution under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the press and public for the remainder of the meeting in view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.**

**11. To consider request from Hellesdon Allotment Holders Association**

The request from Hellesdon Allotment Holders Association was considered and **AGREED**. Officers to determine why plot 56 is unable to be let.

**12. To consider tennis provision at Hellesdon Recreational Ground on Sundays**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to place a combination lock on the tennis court gate on a Sunday to allow pre booked sessions to take place. Players who have pre booked sessions by the previous Friday will be advised of the combination code that will be changed as required.

Meeting Closed at 7.51pm