

Bramham Parish Council

Minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee meeting held on 3 September 2025 at the Bramham Parish Centre

Councillors Present: Cllrs Tozer, Trish Prest and Pam Corrigan

Also in attendance: Vicki Nunn (LCC Climate, Energy and Green Spaces (CEGS) officer)

Public Participation:

None

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr H Buck. It was **resolved** to approve the reasons for her absence. Apologies were received from Cllr L Richards. It was **resolved** to approve the reasons for her absence. Apologies were received from Cllr K Huggins. It was **resolved** to approve the reasons for his absence.

2. Declarations of pecuniary interests

None

3. The minutes of the Assets and Amenities Committee on 7 July were accepted as a true record.

4. Redevelopment of Playground (PG)

A discussion to place with Vicki Nunn re the potential redevelopment of the playground

- Cllr Corrigan updated the meeting on the history of the PG and the reasons for considering its replacement. The PG is approximately 10 years old with most items having a 15 year guarantee.
- Currently council has a £50k fund in a reserve fund for the PG redevelopment. Further funding may be available from CIL monies and from the Community Fund over the next 5 years. The Council will consider applying for match funding at a future date.
- VN confirmed that CEGS have a procurement framework and preferred contractor, Kompan, for PG works.
- Kompan can do an independent assessment and feasibility report based on the condition of the existing PG and they can offer recommendations for retention / maintenance or replacement of all items.
- Kompan would assess if the PG is fit for purpose and if not could propose costs and specifications to undertake any replacement works.
- Kompan's current framework runs out next year
- The A&A committee agreed that VN would approach Kompan to provide a report with options and recommendations.
- VN discussed the various options for the base of any PG – Sand / Bark / Grass / Tiger mulch / Corkeen each of which has its own pro's and con's. VN would always recommend rubber crumb but only localised to individual play equipment + 0.5m.
- The current scale and location of the existing PG was discussed. VN noted that any move of the existing PG may require planning permission and could face ecology restrictions such as Biodiversity Net gain requirements. The A&A Committee will discuss this further as the project progresses.

- PC asked if LCC would consider taking on the long-term maintenance of the PG. VN confirmed this could be considered for an annual fee and needs to be considered along with any potential development plans.
 - Programme – The master plan would be a Kompan report this year with full public consultation in 2026 then design and development beyond 2026 to match the requirements of any Kompan options and outputs.
 - VN also sourced an update on the proposed works to the Milnthorpe lane path and the A&A confirmed this is on the agenda for next week's council meeting. LCC are seeking £4000 for these works.
5. It was **resolved** to recommend to the Council that a Playground redevelopment Working Group be set up. Subject to approval by the Council the working group will consist of Cllrs M Tozer (lead), K Huggins, P Corrigan and T Prest.
 6. It was **resolved** to recommend the Council that the Working Group Terms of Reference are approve.
 7. It was noted that the repairs to the playground, considered at the last meeting have now been completed.
 8. Parish Council goal posts. It was noted that these have suffered damage from being dragged around the pitches and are starting to fall apart putting users at risk. The Committee is reluctant to recommend remove them as they are well used. The Council will be asked to consider if any type of disclaimer can be put up to indemnify the council. The Clerk will be asked to advise on this.
 9. AOB. It was noted that the Parish Centre has been left in a poor condition on more than one occasion over the summer. Cllr Corrigan suggested that the PC the CCTV is reviewed to establish if is the same individual(s) and, if so, to consider any further action.

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