

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RECREATION AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN SETTLE TOWN HALL ON MONDAY 21st July 2026 AT 6:00pm

Present: Cllr Taylor (DT) (Chair), Cllr Hayes (SH), Cllr Lord (JL) Cllr Warham (RW)

Clerk: Katie Dugdale

Assistant Clerk: Emma Rayner

Members of the Press / Public: One.

Minute Ref	Minutes - Recreation and Environment Committee 21 st July 2025	
RE01/2025-26	Election of Chair of the Recreation and Environment Committee. RESOLVED: Cllr. Taylor was elected as Chairman of the Recreation and Environment Committee.	
RE02/2025-26	Election of Vice Chair of the Recreation and Environment Committee. RESOLVED: Cllr. Warham was elected as Vice Chairman of the Recreation and Environment Committee.	
RE03/2025-26	Apologies: To receive and approve reasons for apologies. RESOLVED: Apologies received from Cllr White were received and the reasons for apologies approved.	
RE04/2025-26	Code of Conduct: - Localism Act 2011 - to record any Councillor's Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) in relation to items on this agenda, to consider any dispensations or changes in member's register of interests. No interests declared.	
RE05/2025-26	Finance - To review payments and receipts to date and forecasted spend against budget. A report of the payments and receipts to date and forecasted spend against budget was reviewed and the information noted	
RE06/2025-26	Play Areas a) To receive the results from the play area consultation and decide on further actions. The results from the play area consultation were reviewed. It was noted that lots of useful comments had been received. Although an area for ball games was mentioned in the responses it was AGREED that the Bond Lane play area did not have a big enough space for a designated area for ball games to be played. b) To discuss funding options for the refurbishment of the Bond Lane play area. Cllr Hayes gave an update on the different funding options available. c) Play Area annual inspection reports – to receive and review the annual report and set a programme of repairs if required, subject to budget. The annual play area inspection reports were received and it was AGREED that all non-urgent maintenance would be carried out when the new handyperson was in position.	
RE07/2025-26	Open Spaces a) Castlebergh - To discuss the funding available from the Yorkshire Dales National Park – Dry Rigg Quarry Environmental Fund and consider any further action. Cllr Hayes provided an update and discussed what works were required. It was AGREED to find out who was responsible for the wall near the entrance and that further information would be brought back to a future meeting. b) Castlebergh and Millennium Garden – To discuss any works / improvements required. It was AGREED to contact the volunteer groups to see if they required any support. An expression of thanks was given to Cliff for his continued work in Millennium Garden.	



RE08/2025-26	Bus Shelter – a) To consider the provision of a bus shelter on the marketplace. RESOLVED: To agree in principal that the provision of a bus shelter on the marketplace be explored further. b) To consider any further actions / information required before the agenda item goes to Full Council at the 4th August 2025 meeting. RESOLVED That a working party consisting of Cllrs Lord, Hayes & White along with a member from ACE would explore the additional costs associated with a bus shelter, if planning permission was required, a report from the Market Manager and further details and that this agenda item be brought back to a future Full Town Council meeting.	
RE09/2025-26	Correspondence (correspondence received after the advertised agenda will be noted). No correspondence received prior to the meeting.	
RE10/2025-26	Future agenda items. Any future agenda items to be emailed to the Clerk.	
RE12/2025-26	Date of next meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee: It was AGREED that the next meeting be held in October/November time and that the Clerk would circulate a suitable date. <i>Meeting Closed 18.51</i>	