

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE WETLEY ROCKS/TOLL BAR PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD IN THE METHODIST SCHOOL ROOM, WETLEY ROCKS ON
TUESDAY, 9th. JULY 2019.**

ATTENDANCE Councillor – M.T. Bowen, Mrs. D.A. Hartley, R.J. Hartley, K. Harvey,
H.J. Tunna.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from: -
Councillor – H.R.Jennings.

395 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN** Councillor Tunna, proposed by Councillor Mrs. Hartley and
sec. by Councillor Mr. Hartley, was duly elected Chairman for the ensuing
year.

396 **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN** Councillor Mrs. Hartley, proposed by Councillor Mr.
Hartley and sec. by Councillor Bowen, was duly elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

397 **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of the 23rd. October 2019, taken as read, were
confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

398 **MATTERS ARISING**
Re. Min. 383. Wetley Rocks Playing Field – Holly Trees/Bulb Planting Councillor Bowen
stated that he still had some hawthorns that could be used to plant to fill in the gaps but was
felt better left until next meeting to discuss on the agenda after the hedge has been cut.

399 **CORRESPONDENCE**
None.

400 **WETLEY ROCKS PLAYING FIELD – FISHER GERMAN – RENT REVIEW**
The Clerk had nothing to report.

401 **WETLEY ROCKS PLAYING FIELD – INSPECTION REPORT**
The report highlighted that the main issue which was medium risk was the goal posts need to
be reset and it was suggested that maybe Batemans could assist with this and provide a fix for
the bent crossbar. The Clerk would speak to them to see if they could help.
Councillor Mr. Hartley raised the issue of the redundant safety tile area where a piece of
equipment had been removed needed the holes filling in to prevent accidents and it was agreed
to ask Rob & Ken if they could do this works. Councillor Tunna mentioned about the greasing
of bearings on the roundabout so he suggested a job sheet be introduced that the handyman
completes for him to do maintenance checks on all equipment. The Clerk would look into
providing these and getting him to complete them regularly for all play areas.

402 **WETLEY ROCKS PLAYING FIELD – GENERAL CONDITION OF THE FIELD**
Councillor Mrs. Hartley had provided photographs of areas of concern. A tree which had been
bent over, scruffy looking areas around the equipment which need to be cut back/strimmed and
the entrance needed to be tidied up by removal of weeds etc. Also, around safety surface needs
to be weed killed. Councillor Tunna did state that the best suggestion had been to have the
grass collected which has much improved the field but that the contractor needs to be made
aware of his short falls with the detail.

403 WETLEY ROCKS PLAYING FIELD – ANY WORKS REQUIRED

The Clerk would speak to the contractor to show him details of what improvements need to be made going forward and ask him about the tree.

404 TOLL BAR PLAYING FIELD – INSPECTION REPORT

The inspection report did not highlight any moderate risk other than the Clatter Bridge which is a separate agenda item. Again, the handyman would be given check sheets to sign regularly.

405 TOLL BAR PLAYING FIELD – BROKEN CLATTER BRIDGE

The Clerk reported that she now had a price from Sovereign for a replacement clatter bridge which would be £1338.65 in comparison to just the deck of the clatter bridge being £1033.29. After some discussion it was agreed that at this time it is too expensive to replace and the Clerk suggested removal of just the deck leaving the bars as monkey bars. This was felt the best option in the interim but the Clerk would go back to Sovereign to express the Council's disappointment in the failure of the wood after 10 years and that the wood is guaranteed to last for 20 years and the fact that they are not upholding the warranty due to the fact that regular inspections have not been carried out even though there is an annual one carried out. It was agreed to ask Rob & Ken to look at removing the deck from the Clatter Bridge.

406 TOLL BAR PLAYING FIELD - GENERAL CONDITION OF THE FIELD

Again, Councillor Mrs. Hartley had provided photographs of the scruffy areas of the Playing Field with added mess of cut grass so it was agreed that it would be advantageous to show this to the contractor and ask that he remove grass cuttings as well to make it tidier. The Clerk would speak to him and show him.

407 TOLL BAR PLAYING FIELD – ANY WORKS REQUIRED

The Clerk would speak to the contractor to show him details of what improvements need to be made going forward.

408 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

Hedge repairs at Wetley Rocks Playing Field.

Chairman

22nd. October 2019.