

DOULTING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE GLEBELAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH JULY 2025

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: COMMUNITY ROOM, DOULTING @ 10am

Present: Mary Newman (Chair), Margaret Hares, Emma Hill and Alan Butcher (Clerk).

- 1) Apologies for absence. Nick Whitcombe
- 2) Public Forum: The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation. No members of the public were present.
- 3) Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made.
- 4) Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:
That the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th March 2025 be agreed as a true record. This was so agreed and the minutes signed by the Chairman.
- 5) Matters for discussion:
 - i) Glebeland Events. Nothing was currently planned.
 - ii) Skate park refurbishment – Simon Baker had been discussing the refurbishment with an interested party.
 - iii) Buddleia, Brambles and Japanese knotweed. Mary noted the resurgence of knotweed which would require treating; she advised caution when planning any works connected with the skate park entrance.
A number of instances of buddleia which required cutting back were noted particularly a large plant blocking a path to the compost area.
 - iv) Trees including actions after tree works. Mary noted that ivy had grown over the trimmed willow near Chelynych Road and that the goat willow required the removal of the thorn growing next to it.
 - v) Hedges, fencing and gates. This was in hand with Simon.
 - vi) Repairs and maintenance items for 2025 including repairs to storm damage. The clerk noted that the Parish Council had decided to remove the old playwall as it was rotted and beyond salvaging.
 - vii) Grass cutting and regular maintenance by SM Landscape. SM Landscape to be asked to cut the grass back against the fence/wall to Carey Close, this to be one summer cut. Also the brambles growing behind Carey Close to be cut back.
 - viii) Volunteer and working party jobs:

Draft minutes subject to acceptance at the next meeting.

Removal of buddleia, treatment of knot weed and removal of ragwort in various locations.

Removal of brambles in skate park.

Removal of hawthorn by back gate and removal of self seeded tree in the corral triangle

Buddleia by bus shelter to be cut back and north path to be trimmed.

Shrubs overgrowing grass areas to be cut back.

Dates for working parties to be agreed.

6) Financial:

Items for consideration by Parish Council. None.

7) Matters of Report:

Margaret to be advised of new gate locks code.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.55am

8) Date and Time of Next Meeting: to be agreed.

Alan Butcher,

Parish Clerk,

15th July 2025

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