

DOULTING PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes subject to acceptance at the last meeting.

MINUTES OF THE GLEBELAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2025

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

Present Simon Baker (Chair) Mary Newman, Margaret Hares, Emma Hill, Lesley Tyson

- 1) Apologies for absence. Alan Butcher
- 2) Public Forum: The Chairman will adjourn the meeting for a maximum of 10 minutes to allow public participation. No requests to speak.
- 3) Declarations of Interest: No declarations were made
- 4) Acceptance of the Minutes of previous meetings:
That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2025 be agreed as a true record. This was so agreed and signed by the Chairman.
- 5) Matters for discussion:
 - i) Glebeland Events. Nothing currently planned
 - ii) Skate park refurbishment. Simon Baker reported that an interested local resident was keen to get involved with a possible scheme. This was raised at the recent Parish Council meeting and they were supportive.
 - iii) Buddleia, Brambles and Japanese knotweed. Mary Newman raised the issue of knotweed and stated that it had not been sprayed this year. After discussion it was proposed that a specialist consultant be engaged to consider permanent removal particularly in the case of the formation of a new entrance to the skate park. Suitable consultants to be identified.
 - iv) Trees including additional works required. Works delayed from Spring to be re-examined by the committee and a new schedule prepared. It was agreed that the brief should be made clearer to the contractor as to the disposal of waste, sawdust etc. with relationship to the special landscape conditions.
 - v) Hedges, fencing and gates. No current action. Lesley Tyson advised that she would clear grass around pedestrian gates.
 - vi) Repairs and maintenance items. No current requirements.

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- vii) Grass cutting and regular maintenance by SM Landscape. The 'main cut' is due very soon and Mary Newman was keen that Chris should have exact instructions on what was to be cut and when. Alan Butcher to be asked to contact Mary to obtain brief and instruct Chris at SM Landscape as a matter of urgency.
- viii) Volunteer and working party jobs: Mary Newman to organise working party to clear briars and buddleia.

6) Financial:

Items for consideration by Parish Council. None at this time until tree work can be further assessed.

7) Matters of Report. Lesley Tyson who attended this meeting was asked and accepted a request to join the committee.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.30 am

8) Date and Time of Next Meeting. November 5th at 10.00 am in the community room.

Simon Baker - Chair

25th September 2025

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