

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WINCHCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE HELD AT ABBEY FIELDS COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.30PM ON WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2025.

Present: Mr S Maughan (Chair) Mr R Parker Mr B Rose
Mr J Mason Ms S Sturgeon The Clerk

1. TO NOTE APOLOGIES. Cllrs M Lennard and R Wakeford.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllr S Sturgeon declared on Item 5.
3. TO RECEIVE MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING.

Toddler play	Proludic instructed and scheduled for installation Feb/Mar 2026. Cllr S Maughan wished to make Cllrs aware of sewerage pipe and ducting beneath designated location. Proludic will scan prior to installation, and supply not likely to be needed.
Pump Track	Track completed, with installation of bin, benches and fencing outstanding. Clerk to seek legal advice on next steps with contractor who failed to deliver on contract/project, and correspond with contractor accordingly. Correspondence to be issued to contractor stating that legal advice will be taken if deposit refund not received within seven days of the date of letter.

4. TO CONSIDER APPOINTING A CONTRACTOR TO OVERSEE THE INSTALLATION OF THE TODDLER PLAY AREA.
Not required as trusted contractor and Site Manager from Proludic will be present. Capacity of Clerk raised as an issue, members offered to support.
5. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM THE ORGANISERS OF PARK RUN TO HOUSE A SECURE STORAGE UNIT AT WINCHCOMBE PARK.
Organisers proposed a steel shed 6x6 estimated size, in region of electrical cage. Park Run would hold all responsibility not WTC. Concrete base may be required. Cllr S Maughan proposed permission be granted subject to provision of plans for actual size, material and location to be provided to committee prior to installation. Seconded Cllr J Mason, carried unanimously.
6. TO CONSIDER HOSTING A REST SPOT FOR TREK26 COTSWOLDS FOR ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY AT WINCHCOMBE PARK.
Following review of the event proposal members agreed that this would be a wonderful event and cause to support. Proposed Cllr R Parker, seconded Cllr J Mason, carried unanimously. Clerk to liaise with organisers on exact locations for event equipment.
7. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PLAYING FIELDS BUDGET FOR 2025/2026.
The Clerk shared a summary to date.
8. TO SET THE PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE BUDGET FOR 2026-27.

	Current Financial Year 2025-26	Next Financial Year 2026-27
Grass & Hedge Cutting	£5,000	£5,000
Litter Picking	£500	£500
Safety Inspections	£1,000	£2,200
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance	£2,000	£2,000
Winchcombe Park Maintenance	£53,000	£51,800
Total	£61,500	£61,500

Members agreed not to increase the Playing Fields Committee budget for the 2026-27 financial year. Proposed Cllr J Mason, seconded Cllr R Parker, carried unanimously.

9. SEPARATE BUSINESS. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION: UNDER SECTION 100(A)(4) LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, THE PUBLIC BE EXCLUDED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ON THE GROUNDS THAT THEY INVOLVE THE LIKELY DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION AS DEFINED IN PART 1 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE ACT.
10. TO CONSIDER A QUOTATION TO CARRY OUT WORKS AT THE FINCHES PLAY PARK.

Cllr J Mason proposed that Ian Humphries be instructed to carry out the required works, seconded Cllr S Sturgeon, carried unanimously.

Meeting closed 8.27pm.