

Minutes of the Land Management Committee Meeting held at the Braywood Memorial Hall on Wednesday 18th June 2025 at 6:00pm

Present:

Cllr K Elvin, Cllr J Filipczak-Korczak, Cllr L Kneen, Cllr M Parkinson, Cllr J Phillips, Cllr L Walters, and Cllr D Wilson (Chairman), Mr. J Davey (Deputy Clerk) and three members of the public.

LM001/2025 Chairman's request

The Chairman requested that all mobile devices be switched to silent for the duration of the meeting. Reminding all in attendance of the fire safety regulations for the venue of the meeting.

LM002/2025 Election of Chairman for New Year

Cllr J Filipczak-Korczak was duly elected unanimously as Chairman after being nominated by Cllr Kneen and Seconded by Cllr Walters.

LM 003/2025 Recording/Filming of the Meeting

The Council permits the filming and recording and photography of its public meetings (Standing Order 3 k.). By attending the meeting, you are consenting to being filmed and recorded unless you notify the Clerk in advance that you do not wish to be. All present to be asked if they have any intention of recording/filming all or part of the meeting

LM 004/2025 To note apologies for absence and declarations of interest

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Tavinor.

Cllr Parkinson declared an interest in LM016 as Chairman of Maidenhead and Bray Sports Club

LM006/2025 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12th March 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2025 were agreed unanimously as a true record of the meeting and signed accordingly.

LM007/2025 Public Forum

No speakers

LM010/2025 To receive the play area reports for December 2024 to March 2025

Should read "for Apr – May 2025". The Councillors asked for more information relating to items on the paper. The Chair would like more details about each quote. This will be forthcoming at future meetings. During the meeting there was confusion as to why the suppliers were quoting for an expensive item when it wasn't flagged red on the report. The Deputy Clerk sought clarity from the playground contractors after the meeting which explains the confusion.

These reports are produced by independent inspectors of our play equipment each month, sent to our contractor who then sends a report to BPC. These reports highlight, in real time, where action should be

taken using a traffic light index with red needing urgent attention. The winter reports had indicated that the metal plates in Aysgarth Park should be replaced but now it's Summer the moss has died away and the plates are not slippery, so don't need replacing. The inspectors therefore didn't flag any concern.

LM011/2025 Deputy Clerk Briefing

Deputy Clerk shared his briefing verbally. This was a summary of activities on various projects, tasks, enquiries from around the Parish. In future this will be loaded up for residents to view.

LM012/2025 Review of the Task List

Councillors request more detail on the excel sheet. This sheet shares the tasks, their progress, the budget and other relevant information. Members discussed several items from the task list.

Members requested a new bin to be added to Holyport Green after 2 had already been replaced. The budget is available so this will be ordered.

LM013/2025 Planters, Bray Village

A Bray resident was concerned that a planter was removed a few years ago from The Throat and never returned. The Deputy Clerk and Chair will agree to a solution with the resident.

LM014/2025 Play Equipment Aysgarth Park

This ties in with LM10 above. Cllrs wanted more information. The Clerk used to manage this element. The Deputy Clerk will take this on and report in detail at the next meeting.

LM015/2025 Lonsdale Way

A local resident approached BPC offering to buy an area of land on Lonsdale Way. If we were to proceed we would need to establish ownership. Councillors agreed they had no desire or need to sell the land.

LM016/2025 Jubilee Field Maintenance and repairs

Cllr Parkinson declared an interest as one of the Directors of Maidenhead & Bray Sports Club (Trading) Limited. The Deputy Clerk, in conjunction with Cllr Parkinson, prepared a report for the committee. Cllrs wanted more information and wish to see the lease agreement with Maidenhead & Bray Sports Club in full. They deferred any decisions until the next meeting.

LM017/2025 Bray Cemetery

A local resident whose property borders the cemetery was concerned about the growth of bushes and trees. Cllrs asked for more details. The Deputy Clerk will meet with the resident and offer a more comprehensive report for Cllrs and residents for the next meeting.

LM018/2025 Pamela Row Parking issues

The George on the Green clientele are parking on Pamela Row when visiting the pub. Cllrs resolved to visit the pub and talk to the landlord. The Clerk will explore land ownership and responsibilities.

LM019/2025 Gays Lane - Reports of vandalism, horses accessing recreation ground

Chair concerned that Facebook Group is reporting allotment owners can't access because the lock has been changed. No official complaints have been received by the office.

Holyport Fair organisers found the combination lock had been superglued on the morning of the fair. They contacted a locksmith, and the lock was removed and a new key lock put in its place.

The only people who should access the recreational grounds are the football club and allotment owners giving prior notice to the office that they would like to enter and for what purpose.

Cllrs voted for a combination lock to be put back on. The Deputy Clerk will arrange. Access will be monitored by the office.

LM020/2025 Biodiversity Policy To consider report, requirements and responsibilities

Cllr wanted to ensure future agenda items agreed at planning and Land Management consider and report on biodiversity as part of their decision making. Deputy Clerk advised the Chair to talk to The Locum Clerk to understand how this might work in practice as she may well have some experience of the process. The Clerk will review the policy and make recommendations.

LM021/2025 Causeway Bins New bins

Deputy Clerk advised there was an issue with rats and 2 replacement rat bins, installed would cost circa £1500. Deputy Clerk proposed purchase from supplier of bins for Holyport Green and get our contractor to install. Chair stated she'd need 3 quotes before proceeding. Deputy Clerk made clear the urgency due to rats being seen in the vicinity and it would take time to obtain quotes.

After the meeting, the Locum Clerk agreed with Deputy Clerk, that since we had only recently purchased 2 bins a couple of months before and already gone through a quoting process that, as long as the price was reasonable, we order ASAP.

LM022/2025 Review Budget

Deputy Clerk advised no budget had been prepared with Clerk leaving and he would discuss with the new Locum CFO and bring to next meeting.

LM023/2025 Allotment Competition Choose Cllr to judge and date

Cllrs nominated Cllr Kneen and Cllr Wilson to judge the competition. They would agree a date and advise the Deputy Clerk.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:02pm

The full meeting can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JELXWAbmuXE>

Next Meeting: 17th September 2025