

WMRG Working Party – meeting 27th February 2026 – 10am

Note of Meeting

In attendance: Cllrs: *Arrick, *Carter (chair), *Keen, *Matthes (attended via Zoom)

Apologies: Cllr Miller

AGENDA

1. Purpose of Working Party

It was agreed that the working party would endeavour to bring a recommendation to May or July Full Council regarding HTC's management of the War Memorial Recreation Ground.

2. Management of pitches and Tennis Courts

Council has already agreed that the management of the bookings, football / cricket pitch and tennis courts will be done by the town hall staff, at least in the interim. It has signed off a new online booking system that can be used for that purpose, also for other sites.

The Clerk needs to produce a summary of how these areas currently operate and any charges that are made.

Particular thought needs to be given to ensuring that the public tennis courts remain available to the public

3. Provision of toilet and refreshments

It was agreed that a public toilet is essential. A site visit needs to be done to see if the one on the outside of the pavilion is now open to recreation ground users. A conversation needs to be had with the pavilion leasees about:

Use of the building during the day

Access to toilet

Provision of refreshments

HTC should also consider hiring a pitch to a refreshment van during key months.

4. Meeting with leaseholders.

It is essential that all leaseholders are now met with to discuss:

How they currently operate

What they are responsible for and what HTC would be responsible for.

Any issues / concerns / suggestions

The residents of the house on the site need to be written to at the appropriate time, as do other local residents such as those in Old Haslemere Road.

The Clerk will arrange a meeting with :

Haslemere War Memorial Recreation Ground	Lease from	Lease to	Annual rent	Comments
Haslemere Tennis Club	07/12/2009	Jun 2044	£1,300.00	
Haslemere sub-aqua club	01/10/2003	Sep 2033	£856.19	
Pavillion	02/08/1993	Aug 2068	£1,830.00	Haslemere Recreation Ltd hold the lease to the clubhouse
Haslemere Bowling Club	16/01/2019	Jan 2049	Peppercorn	

Note ends