

L 4131) the Committee Chairman.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the above meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee, including all confidential items, be approved.

L 4132 **Wild Flower Meadows**

The Deputy Clerk advised that Burleys would carry out the preparation and seeding of the wild flower meadows free of charge, in lieu of the rose bed maintenance, these beds having been removed from the Memorial Gardens last Autumn.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4133 **Horley Churchyards**

Cllr George updated members on the recent meeting of the Churchyards Committee, which had been attended by himself and the Town Clerk. He explained that the meeting had also been attended by representatives from two local funeral directors, to discuss issues surrounding surplus soil left by grave diggers. A letter had been received from the Borough Council, explaining that were the Council to take over the maintenance of the Old Churchyard, it would be limited to essential maintenance work only, in line with public safety. (Minutes of the Churchyard Committee meeting are appended.)

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4134 **Grounds Maintenance Update**

Members were updated on recent meetings with the Burleys Area Manager, notes of which are appended.

RESOLVED: noted.

Inspections and repairs

L 4135 **RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's detailed weekly and daily visual playground inspection reports.**

L 4136 **RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the Contractor's monthly Grounds Inspections.**

L 4137 The Deputy Clerk updated members on repairs recently carried out.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4138 Replacement Skate Park, Horley Recreation Ground

The Deputy Clerk advised that the works were due to be completed shortly after Easter. Details of the Skate Park safety sign were agreed by members. It was noted that it was hoped to have an opening event sometime in May.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4139 Horley Bowling Club

The Deputy Clerk advised that she had asked the Club Secretary to confirm any definite dates when parking beyond the park barrier might be required.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4140 Toddler Fun Run, Horley Recreation Ground

RESOLVED: that permission be given for a Toddler Fun Run (in aid of a local charity) to take place at Horley Recreation Ground on Saturday 8 July 2017. (A letter detailing terms and conditions is appended.)

Fitness Training in Recreation Grounds

L 4141 RESOLVED: that permission be given for TS Health & Fitness to hold outdoor fitness classes at either Horley Recreation Ground or Court Lodge Fields, at no charge for the first three months, charges to be reviewed thereafter.

(Afternote: the start of the classes was subsequently delayed.)

L 4142 RESOLVED: that the possible provision of holiday sports activities for local children be investigated.

Church Road and Langshott Allotments

L 4143 The Deputy Clerk advised that the permanent toilet at the Langshott Site was now in use. A meeting was planned with Burleys to consider possible landscaping works on part of the site, using some of the Commuted Sum from the Borough Council

RESOLVED: noted

L 4144 RESOLVED: that payment of £533.20 to the Contractor Asbit for repairs to the central roadway at the Langshott Allotments be approved.

L 4145 The Deputy Clerk advised that an inspection of the Church Road Allotments would take place in early May

L 4145) **RESOLVED: noted.**

L 4146 Environment Matters

It was noted that the recent litter pick along the River Mole had been very well attended by volunteers, including Town Councillors. The Environment Agency had been contacted regarding blockages along both the River Mole and the Burstow Stream.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4147 Horley Conservation Group (HCG)

Members were updated on recent activities carried out by the Group

RESOLVED: noted.

Horley Open Spaces Advisory Committee (HOSAC)

L 4148 The Chairman updated members on the meeting held earlier. (Minutes of the meeting are appended.)

RESOLVED: noted

L 4149

RESOLVED: that, following the lack of any response, the Borough Council's Partnerships Co-ordinator be contacted again regarding the possibility of the HOSAC Committee becoming a formal Outside Body of the Borough Council.

Horley in Bloom (HIB) Competitions

L 4150 Members were updated on the recent HIB Committee Meeting (minutes appended). It was noted that judging of the main competition was to take place on Tuesday 4 July and the Awards Evening was to be held at Regent Hall on Friday 29 September.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4151 The Deputy Clerk advised that, to date, sponsorship totalling £1,440 had been received from Crest Nicholson, Taylor Wimpey, Borough Cllr Alex Horwood and MAD Ideas for the Photographic Competition and the Awards Ceremony.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4152 **RESOLVED: that consideration be given to the production of a calendar using some of the winning entries from the HIB Photographic Competition.**

L 4153 *South & South East in Bloom (SSEIB)*

It was noted that the judging of the town centre and Horley Recreation Ground was to take place on the morning of Monday 10 July 2017.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4154 *High Street Car Park*

It was noted that there had been no recent issues of major concern, since the increased presence of Uber Taxi Security staff at the car park. Cllr George advised that neighbouring authorities were still looking to work together to seek a solution to airport related parking/taxi issues.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4155 *Horley Saturday Market*

The Deputy Clerk advised that the height barrier at the Central car park (new home of the Market) was expected to be replaced by the Borough Council sometime in May.

RESOLVED: noted.

Horley Carnival, 17 June 2017

L 4156 Members were updated on recent meetings. Cllr George advised that the Traffic Management Plan had been approved by the Borough Council and would this year involve the Rolling Closure of entire sections of roads in both directions.

RESOLVED: noted.

L 4157

The Deputy Clerk advised that, following a recent site meeting, it had been agreed that a free firework display (funded by Beach's Funfair) take place on the evening of the funfair.

RESOLVED: that the draft letters, detailing the Town Council's terms and conditions for both the funfair and the firework display be approved. (Copies are appended.)

L 4158 *Reigate & Banstead Borough Council Open Space, Sport and Recreation Assessment*

RESOLVED: that members submit comments to the Deputy Clerk for inclusion in the Town Council's response. (A copy of the final response is appended.)

Letters Received

- L 4159** The Deputy Clerk reported receipt of correspondence from a local resident, asking about any planned improvements to Horley Recreation Ground, especially for younger children.

RESOLVED: that the resident be updated accordingly.

- L 4160** The Deputy Clerk advised receipt of correspondence from two local residents, expressing concern about the planned arrival of Beach's Funfair.

RESOLVED: that the Deputy Clerk respond to the residents, explaining that a recent survey showed overwhelming support for events such as these, as well as the events providing a valuable source of income for the Town Council.

(Afternote: no further complaints received.)

- L 4161** Horley Lions Skittles Tournament, 10 – 14 July 2017

RESOLVED: that a Town Council team enter the Tournament.

- L 4162** Diary Dates

RESOLVED: that forthcoming events be noted, in particular the St George's Day Fayre on 22 April 2017 and Town Meeting on 28 April 2017.

Prior to the close of the meeting, Cllr George thanked Cllr Baker for his steadfast Chairmanship of the Committee throughout the past Municipal Year.

Meeting closed at 9.16 pm

Date of next meeting – 30 May 2017

Minutes of the Churchyard committee meeting 5/04/17.

Present : Thiru Jesudason (chair), Sue Middleton (sec), Roy Page, Michael Gardner,

Michael George, Alan Jones (Town clerk) James Baker (late arrival)

Also present Karen from Ballard & Shortall & Ray from Batemans Funeral directors.

- 1) **Prayer** – The meeting started with welcome & opening prayer
- 2) **Discussion re Grave diggers.**- The problems arising from the surplus soil being carelessly put onto nearby graves has led to several complaints. A suggested solution was, that at the time the grave diggers filled the burial plot the surplus soil then put on to the older sunken graves, which could be marked out. A discussion ensued. Both firms use the same Grave digger. Ray said he would raise this with the Grave digger & report back
Karen & Ray were thanked for their attendance, after which they left.
Action -Ray will discuss with the person to see what solution would be workable.
Action – Sue to write to Stonemans the other funeral firm who use our churchyard
- 3) Minutes of previous meeting passed as correct
- 4) Matters arising –
 - a) Re application to close the old churchyard. Thiru reported that Reigate & Banstead borough council have not formally returned the completed forms, but indicated in a phone conversation, they were seeking legal advice & also whenever they took over maintenance responsibility they would only be doing it to Public safety standards,
 - b) All planned tree work completed on 2/2/17. Concern raised by the owner of No 5, Church View Close that the height of the Oak overhanging her property was not reduced, by email. Thiru reported that this was replied also by email that we had complied with the advice given. All overhanging branches were taken off on the advice from the Tree surgeon, & permission given by the Borough Tree officer, as the trees are in a conservation area.
 - c) Rubbish cleared from the area behind the Conifers behind the mound. Cost £50/ now notices have been erected asking the public to dispose of rubbish appropriately.
 - d) Grass & Hedge cutting contract awarded to Countrywide. April 2017 – Dec 2018; Cost £6062/ including VAT per annum
- 5) The Council Grant of £6000/ was awarded at the council meeting on 4/4/17, attended by Roy & Thiru. The Council members present were thanked for their generosity.
- 6) Re grants for replacement of security cameras. Three quotes were obtained.
 - 1) Lion Security £1,700+VAT
 - 2) ADT £3,817
 - 3) Holt £ 1,444 +VAT**Action** – Alan to forward details of the Police commissioner's dept grant application details, as this would fall under the umbrella of public safety.

- 7) Under any other business – Michael Gardner reported that as there were two burials in the following week, he already planned with another volunteer to move the excess soil. James Baker suggested “County Care” Volunteers may be able to help
Action – James Baker to liaise with Michael Gardner.
- 8) Alan Jones reported he would be retiring from his post at the end of July.
Carol Fenton would attend these meetings in the future.
- 9) Date of next meeting – 26/7/17.

Notes of the Monthly Grounds Maintenance Meeting with Burleys representatives, held on Thursday 23 March 2017 at 3.00 pm in the Town Council Offices, 92 Albert Road, Horley

Present:	Alan Jones	HTC
Present:	Carol Fenton	HTC
	Zsolt Takacs	Burleys
	Cllr Mike George	HTC
Apologies:	Cllr Simon Marshall	HTC
	Cllr James Baker	HTC

Horley Rec: Alan advised that Bendcrete had installed a temporary roadway whilst the skate park was being installed. This would be removed once the work was complete, which was expected to be just after Easter. The vehicular gate into the playground had been installed and a south lock placed on it. The Funfair would start to arrive at the park during the first weekend in April and would be open from 7 – 17 April. The Café project was still ongoing. A Toddler Fun Run was to take place in the Park on the morning of Saturday 8 July. Zsolt advised that the ditch had been reinstated and the hedge reduction carried out. He also added that there would be no charge from Burleys for the preparation and seeding of the wild flower meadows, in lieu of maintenance of the rose beds, which had been removed.

Court Lodge Playing Fields: It was noted that teams were very complimentary about the football pitches. Football was due to finish at the end of April. Burley's new Litter Operative had suggested that a litter bin be placed in the car park. It was agreed that the paved area to the rear of the Pavilion would be weedkilled.

Emlyn Meadows: It was hoped that the Environment Agency would visit to look at blockages in the Burstow Stream.

Michael Crescent Centenary Park: Nothing to report.

Church Meadows: Zsolt had looked at the areas requiring preparation for the wild flower meadows (again at no charge to the Town Council). Cllr George advised that a litter pick was to take place along the River Mole on Saturday 25 March.

Other Matters

Zsolt was asked to spray the car park at the Langshott Allotments, It was agreed to meet with Zsolt at the site to consider improvements to the amenity areas of the site, using the Commuted Sum provided by the Borough Council.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 27 April 2017 at 3.00 pm

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Marie Suttle
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28 April 2017

Dear Marie

Toddler Fun Run in Horley Recreation Ground

I am writing to confirm this Council's approval for you to use Horley Recreation Ground for a Toddler Fun Run on the morning of **Saturday 8 July 2017**.

There will be no charge for the use of the Recreation Ground however we would ask that you meet the cost of any reinstatement / repairs which may occur as a direct result of your event.

We would request that you have Public Liability Insurance in place for the event and suggest that you may wish to carry out a risk assessment of the site beforehand. We would also point out that, whilst the Town Council accepts responsibility for its property, it seeks indemnity against claims or actions for loss, damage, injury or death caused as a direct result of your event or any associated activities. A copy of your public liability insurance cover would be appreciated.

We wish you every success with the event! Please let us know if you require a key to the vehicular barrier.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Fenton, Deputy Clerk

Minutes of Horley in Bloom Advisory Committee Meeting
held on Tuesday 28 March 2017 at 6.30pm in the Albert Rooms

Present	Cllr Mike George (in the chair) Cllr Valerie Marshall Cllr Fiona Stimpson Carol Fenton Marcia Atkinson Cllr James Baker	Action
Apologies for absence	Cllr Simon Marshall, Jan Spratt, Betty Thompson.	
Previous Minutes and Matters Arising	The minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2016 were agreed. There were no matters arising.	
Horley in Bloom and Photographic Competition	<p>There was no Horley in Spring Competition this year due to too few entries last year.</p> <p>Carol has already contacted Crest Nicholson, Taylor Wimpey and Mad Ideas requesting sponsorship. We have already received £1000 in sponsorship. (£1,440 by 7 April!). Mike would like to buy some new trophies with some of the sponsorship money. He said that the mugs are extremely popular for Court Lodge in Colour.</p> <p>Judging for Horley in Bloom will be on Tuesday 4 July (changed from 5 July). We will approach the same judges as last year. James offered to help with the judging, if required.</p> <p>We will again ask Cllrs Alex Horwood and Surrinder Banwait to act as the photographic judges.</p>	<p>CF</p> <p>CF</p>
Awards Evening	We need to book the Regent Hall (done!) and ask the R&BBC Mayor to attend. Marcia agreed to do the flowers. Serendipity's buffet was not suitable last year so we will ask 51 North instead.	CF
South & South East in Bloom	Carol attended the recent S&SEIB seminar. We have not yet been given a judging date. (Now confirmed as 10 July). Carol has calculated the judging time needed to be 2¾ hours. Carol thinks we might receive better marks if the presentation was done at the start of the judging but, since as this is usually done over lunch, this might cause problems time-wise.	
Court Lodge in Colour	Mike hasn't yet had any offers of sponsorship. He has tried Burley's but had no response yet. We would therefore only be able to present certificates and not vouchers or mugs, as we would need sponsorship of £750 to do this. We still hope to do two prizes for each age group in the Juniors, for upper and lower school.	
Any Other Business	Marcia reported that there will be a Horley in Bloom class at their show on 20 May.	
Next meeting	To be arranged when the list of Council meetings has been confirmed. Mike thanked everyone for attending the meeting, which closed at 7.08pm.	

HORLEY OPEN SPACES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 11 April 2017 at 6pm.

Present: Cllr James Baker, Cllr Valerie Marshall, Carol Fenton, Cathy Cooper, Cllr Mike George, Cllr Samantha Marshall, Cllr Fiona Stimpson, Emanuel Flecken, Cllr Henry Randall, Jan Spratt (HCG), County Cllr Kay Hammond.

Apologies for absence:

Cllr Simon Marshall, Jack Chapman, Catherine Baart (HCG), Kevin Lerwill (GGP), Thomas Branch (HPS).

Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising:

The minutes of the meeting on 14 February 2017 were agreed. Carol has contacted Kamal about HOSAC becoming an outside body but no decision has been made yet.

Open Spaces:

Horley Recreation Ground

Fiona hasn't visited lately due to the fairground being present but she reported that the weeding could be better and there are lots of brambles. The ground is very dry at so there will be no damage from the fairground vehicles.

Church Meadows

Henry reported no problems. However, there is still rubbish in the river. The HPS wants to leave the rubbish there a bit longer as it provides shelter for the young fish. There was a discussion about weed-killer. A litter pick was carried out recently. There was a good turn-out for this but not as much litter as usual.

Bay Close Open Space

The football net has been put back.

Emlyn Meadow

There is still a small blockage in the river. The EA has been contacted and looked at this.

Yattendon Road Recreation Ground

No problems reported apart from a dead cat that was purported to have been killed by a dog.

Michael Crescent Centenary Park

No problems reported. It is supposed to be a dog-exclusion zone but there is no "No dogs" sign so residents aren't aware of this. No one could remember when and why this decision was made, so we will allow dogs for the time being.

Court Lodge Playing Fields/Riverside Walk

Most football matches have been played due to the recent good weather. Saturday mornings are very busy with football practice. Some of the players are not official teams and bring their own collapsible goals – they will not be charged unless they damage the pitches.

Children have been making camps in Riverside Walk, with carpets and a mattress. They just leave this stuff to rot at the end of the holidays. There are overgrown areas on the public footpath – Emanuel will look into this. There is a large dead tree in the river – Mike has mentioned this to David Powell. James reported that there is some slippage of the bank.

Riverside Garden Park

Emanuel reported that the car park is due to be repaired later this month. Cathy reported that the park has been popular with mountain bikers going over the car park hump and back again. Cathy also reported that the daffodils were all picked just before Mother's Day. There is very little litter.

Emanuel said that the lampposts in the park belong to SCC but this hasn't been confirmed yet. They have been turning off at night, which could be dangerous to Gatwick workers who use the park as a shortcut at night and early in the morning, as the path runs alongside the river. Kay said that the lampposts haven't been changed to LED, as they were missed off the contract to do this. Further enquiries will be made.

Cathy reported that the park is very popular at the moment with ramblers and cyclists. Occasionally there are overnight campers.

HPS is happy to leave the water-lilies as they are at present.

Horley in Bloom and South & South East in Bloom Competitions:

Judging for S&SEIB will be on 10 July. Simon will book the Con Club for lunch. The Award Ceremony will be in September at the Copthorne Hotel, which is very convenient for Horley.

The date for HIB judging will be on Tuesday 4 July. Sponsorship of £1440 from several sources has already been received to pay for the awards, the buffet and the photographic competition prizes.

Emanuel will look into this. Kay suggested having the best photos produced into a calendar.

Horley Conservation Group:

Jan reported that the rhododendrons were cut back in January. Work in RGP was done in February. Tanyard Pond was the subject in March – litter picking etc. Some of the group also attended the litter pick in Church Meadows. Four of the group did a river-fly course, which was very interesting and also covered water quality. On Saturday (15/4) there will be a group doing water testing on the Burstow Stream. Kevin has sent an email covering the next few events. There will be groups working on Himalayan Balsam on 17 June in Church Meadows and on 16 July in Emlyn Meadow.

There are plans for the orchard in The Fieldings. Emanuel reported that the area is being cleared, so the trees can be planted later in the year.

Horley Piscatorial Society:

No report.

Tanyard Meadow:

Emanuel reported that there was a meeting today with Barratts. The area should be finished by May and the path should be put down over the summer. Emanuel confirmed that the pathway across the stream by Tanyard Pond is being improved. Mike reported that the developers in the North-West sector want to work on the surrounding landscape while the houses are being built, to improve the area and encourage people to live there.

Any other business:

Fiona reported that water had been pumped from Gatwick land off Povey Cross Road into the River Mole. She has sent photos to Carol.

Kay reported that recycling charges are not being suspended in Surrey at its recycling plants. However, there are now no charges at Crawley sites.

James thanked the committee for all their contributions during the year.

Next meeting:

The next meeting was arranged for Tuesday 20 June at 6pm, before P & D. Emanuel gave his apologies in advance but will try to send another representative.

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To Beach's Funfair

13 April 2017

Dear Mr Beach

Funfair at Horley Recreation Ground for the Horley Carnival

I am pleased to confirm, on behalf of the Town Council and the Carnival Committee, that we are agreeable to you bringing your funfair into Horley Recreation Ground from **Monday 12 June 2017**. We understand that the funfair will be open from **Friday 16 June** until **Sunday 18 June** and that you will vacate the Recreation Ground on **Monday 19 June 2017**. Operating hours to be no later than 10.00 pm on Friday night, no later than 10.30 pm on Saturday night (assuming that the Firework Display takes place) and no later than 9.00 pm on Sunday.

The Carnival Committee agrees to payment of £1,000 (one thousand pounds) and the Town Council requests that you also provide a deposit of £500 (five hundred pounds). The deposit will be retained by the Town Council for the duration of the visit and may be used to make good any damage caused to land and/or property. The Town Council reserves the right to refuse the movement of vehicles either onto or away from the Recreation Ground, should weather conditions prove to be particularly unfavourable. We would also ask that you make some toilets available for public use at times when the Carnival is not open, especially as the toilets for the Carnival will be out of bounds during the firework display. As agreed, the firework display is to be provided free of charge for the public.

Please ensure that your caravans are not parked close to the boundaries of neighbouring properties and please keep loud noise to a minimum, particularly late at night and when arriving at and leaving the Recreation Ground. Please also make arrangements to have any large amounts of rubbish cleared away, prior to your departure.

With regard to the planned firework display on **Saturday 17 June**, following our site meeting the fireworks are to be set up in the Ornamental Gardens area of the park (see attached map). It will be the responsibility of either Wizard Fireworks or yourselves to set up and maintain a safety zone around this area and close entrances to the park as necessary. First aid facilities will also need to be available. Ideally the fireworks should be set off no later than approximately 9.45 pm and the fairground should close no later than 10.30 pm (on this night only). The Firework Display will run as a trial event for this year and be reviewed afterwards. I will be writing separately to Jordan at Wizard Fireworks.

Finally, members wish to be assured that you have adequate Public Liability Insurance for this event. (We also expect Wizard Fireworks to have their own Public Liability Insurance). Whilst the Town Council accepts responsibility for its property, it seeks indemnity against claims or actions for loss, damage, injury or death caused as a direct result of the event or associated activities. A copy of your public liability insurance cover would be appreciated.

If you are agreeable to the above conditions, please confirm in writing (by email will be fine)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Carole Jenton'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Deputy Clerk

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12 April 2017

To Wizard Fireworks

Dear Jordan

**Firework Display at Horley Recreation Ground, following Horley Carnival on
Saturday 17 June 2017**

I am pleased to confirm, on behalf of the Town Council, that we are agreeable to you providing a firework display at Horley Recreation Ground on Saturday **17 June 2017**, following the Horley Carnival, which takes place earlier in the day.

With regard to the firework display, following our site meeting the fireworks are to be set up in the Ornamental Gardens area of the park (the area highlighted in yellow on the attached map). This area will be used for some Carnival events until 5.00 pm so please ensure that the area is clear before setting up any fireworks. It will be the responsibility of either Wizard Fireworks or Beach's Funfair to set up and maintain a safety zone around the fireworks area and close entrances to the park as necessary. First aid facilities will also need to be available. Ideally the fireworks should be set off no later than approximately 9.45 pm and we understand that they will last for 15 – 20 minutes. The Firework Display will run as a trial event for this year and be reviewed afterwards.

Finally, members wish to be assured that you have adequate Public Liability Insurance for this event. Whilst the Town Council accepts responsibility for its property, it seeks indemnity against claims or actions for loss, damage, injury or death caused as a direct result of the event or associated activities. Please send us a copy of your public liability insurance cover as soon as you are able.

If you are agreeable to the above conditions, please confirm in writing (by email will be fine).

Yours sincerely

Deputy Clerk

Town Council Questionnaire

Reigate & Banstead Borough Council is in the process of updating its Open Space, Sport and Recreation Assessment. As part of this assessment we are contacting town councils in order to understand their opinions on open space, sport and recreation facilities within their area.

Please note that for the purpose of this study:

- Open spaces include parks and gardens, amenity green space, natural and semi-natural green space, green corridors, accessible countryside, cemeteries and civic spaces
- Sports facilities include indoor and outdoor facilities such as gyms and basket ball courts
- Recreation facilities include children's and young people provision such as LAPs, LEAPs, NEAPs, MUGAs, skate parks etc.

Once completed please return:

- By email: LDF@reigate-banstead.gov.uk

Horley Town Council does not feel that it would be appropriate to answer the Consultation in table format and plans to respond to the questions individually. We would also point out that the open spaces within Horley are owned / managed in different ways. The Town Council owns and manages Horley Recreation Ground, Court Lodge Fields, Emlyn Meadows, Michael Crescent Centenary Park and two allotment sites. It is also responsible for the day to day management of Church Meadows (owned by Reigate & Banstead Borough Council). Reigate & Banstead Borough Council owns and manages Riverside Garden Park, Riverside Walk, Yattendon Road Recreation Ground and new playgrounds on the Acres Development. Other green spaces in Horley are owned and managed by either the Borough or County Councils.

1. Do you feel that the range of open spaces, sport and recreation facilities currently available in your town is consistent with the needs of the local population?

The range may be adequate in so far as there is some provision of each of the facilities mentioned, however it is unlikely that it can be regarded as consistent with the needs of the local population. Some parts of Horley West are well provided for with play areas & open spaces, leisure centre complex & football pitches, however at the other end is Horley East, in particular Horley South East, which is badly in need of more facilities. The Town Park was earmarked for Horley South East but will now, if ever achieved, almost certainly be elsewhere. There is almost a complete lack of provision of recreational space in South East Horley, with the only open space being Oakwood School, which obviously has restricted use. The population of Horley is expanding rapidly, both in numbers and geographically and it is important that green space and play infrastructure are delivered in the new developments. We note in particular that work on Tanyard Meadows, as part of the Riverside Green Chain, has yet to be undertaken.

2. What do you think of the quality of the open space, sports and recreation facilities within your town?

Where provided the quality is generally adequate and in some cases, e.g. Horley Recreation Ground, positively good.

3. What do you think about the quantity of the open space, sports and recreation facilities within your town?

Quantity is the most important issue that needs to be addressed. The town is growing in both population and geography. It needs more spaces and facilities to recognise this. Large areas of countryside are being built upon but the facilities that should be put in place alongside these developments seem to lag behind. Sites such as the old Philips site could be used to provide additional open space and/or sports/recreation facilities. Also, as previously mentioned a site needs to be identified for the Town Park. It should be mentioned that Horley Town Council has recently completed a new skate park (funded by the Town, Borough and County Councils) & has longer term plans to for a café & toilets in Horley Recreation Ground.

4. Are there any open space, sport and recreation facilities that you feel would be beneficial to the community that aren't currently in place?

As mentioned above we need to address the under provision of recreation areas for Horley East. The establishment of the Riverside Green Chain has met with some obstacles in the area of the Acres & it is hoped over time these will be overcome because at present what has been advertised to residents is unlikely to be fully delivered.

5. Are there any other comments you would like to make?

Whilst the Town Council invests in its recreation facilities more can be achieved when our two authorities work together, the new skatepark being a current example. Horley is taking very large amounts of housing and needs the appropriate infrastructure to support this.

Thank you for completing the questionnaire