

**Report To:** **WERNETH LOW COUNTRY PARK JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Date:** 30 November 2022

**Reporting Officer:** Nicola Marshall - Greenspace Development Manager

**Subject:** **HYDE WAR MEMORIAL TRUST UPDATE**

**Report Summary:** To provide an update to members of the Werneth Low Country Park Joint Management Committee on the changes that have taken place in Trustee membership at Hyde War Memorial Trust since the last Joint Committee meeting in February 2022.

**Recommendations:** That the report be noted.

**Links to Community Strategy:** To ensure that the Country Park is an attractive and environmentally friendly place to visit.


**Policy Implications:** The activities in the Country Park are in accordance with Council policy priorities.

**Financial Implications:**  
**(Authorised by the Section 151 Officer)** The funding for the projects is met by the Operations and Greenspace revenue budget.

**Legal Implications:**  
**(Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)** It is important that the Joint Management Committee is kept informed of activities undertaken in the Country Park.

**Risk Management:** Activities in the Country Park are kept under review in order to ensure any potential risks are dealt with adequately.

**Access to Information:** Background papers and information can be obtained by contacting Nicola Marshall, Greenspace Development Manager

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## **1. HYDE WAR MEMORIAL TRUST**

- 1.1 Since the Joint Committee Meeting in February 2022, Hyde War Memorial Trust have undergone changes in Trustees and this report provides an update on those changes.
- 1.2 The Annual General Meeting of Hyde War Memorial Trust took place on 21 July 2022 where new Trustees were appointed and there was a change of Chair and Secretary.
- 1.3 The Trustees of Hyde War Memorial Trust are:
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| Jane Durkin        | Chair   |
| Susan Plackett     | Trustee |
| John Bell          | Trustee |
| Shibley Alam       | Trustee |
| Pamela Steven      | Trustee |
| Susan Ellis        | Trustee |
| Margaret Halliday  | Trustee |
| Carl Rogerson      | Trustee |
| Andrew Richardson  | Trustee |
| Cllr Betty Affleck | Trustee |
| Peter Ainger       | Trustee |
| Richard Ekin       | Trustee |
- 1.4 The Trustees appointed to the Joint Management Committee are:
- Peter Ainger  
John Bell  
Jane Durkin  
Susan Ellis  
Margaret Halliday
- 1.5 Officers are committed to working with the Trust and have met twice with the new Chair, Secretary and other Trustees. These meetings are not replacements for the Joint Management Committee but have allowed Officers and Trustees to get to know each other informally and agree best ways of communicating and understand the respective roles of Officers and Trustees. These meetings will continue to discuss any day to day management and maintenance issues in the country park, which do not need to be discussed in detail at the Joint Management Committee Meetings.
- 1.6 The Joint Management Committee Meetings will continue to provide strategic direction, oversight of the maintenance regimes and have overall control of the management and maintenance of the country park. As an example of the difference between the meetings it may be that at the informal meetings Officers would advise the Trustees that a small section of fencing work will be taking place with the work being undertaken by volunteers and the material costs will be covered through existing approved budgets. If there was a need for additional budget to replace large sections of fencing this would be presented to the Joint Management Committee Meeting as the Joint Management Committee Membership would need to discuss this and agree if they want the work to be undertaken and decide how it can be funded.

## **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 As set out at the front of the report.