



To encourage and promote full use of Petersfield Town Council's Open Spaces and Sports Grounds for the enjoyment of the public in a sustainable manner.

- Allotments:** To hold users meetings every year in the Autumn. To ensure all sites are maintained in a reasonable condition.
- Fairs/Circus:** To allow a maximum of 3 fairs/circus per year at each venue although this may be waived in exceptional circumstances. In letting any facilities the Town Council to be mindful of the impact on the amenity of neighbouring residents.
- Trees and Hedgerows:** To maintain existing trees and hedgerows and protect worthwhile specimens. To plant trees as necessary, in consultation with an arboricultural expert. To remove all dead/dying trees in accordance with Health and Safety policy
- Dogs Litter:** To place dog signs and waste bins at all open spaces and sports grounds and to empty the bins on a regular basis.
- The Heath:** To encourage and promote the management of The Heath and The Heath Pond, as advised by the Heath Integrated Management Plan.
- Angling:** To work together with the Heath Pond Association to promote good fishing practice at The Heath Pond.
- Boats:** To work together with the Boating Concessionaire to ensure boating is carried out in a suitable and safe manner. To limit the number of boats on The Heath Pond to a maximum of 45. Paddle boards are not permitted under the current boating licences.
- Model Boats:** To allow use of the Pond for the purpose of radio and wind propelled model boats. A restricted size of 30 cm along the waterline applies. Any fuel powered boats are not permitted under any circumstances.
- Play Equipment:** To maintain, repair, enhance and replace (when necessary) play equipment at open spaces and sports grounds and to put in place a strategy document to determine appropriate play provision for both children and young people.
- Seats:** To maintain and repair existing seats at open spaces and sports grounds.
- Contractors:** To use local workforce whenever possible.
- Access for the Disabled:** To provide access for the disabled to all Petersfield Town Council's open spaces, sports grounds and facilities, where reasonable.
- Recreation Grounds:** To allow occasional use for overnight camping by established, organised groups.
- Fencing:** To maintain and repair fencing at sports grounds and open spaces to ensure the grounds remain secure whilst being accessible to the public.
- Sports Grounds:** To encourage full use by the public of all facilities available at Petersfield Town Council's Sports Grounds and to facilitate User Meetings.
- Conservation Group:** To work in partnership with conservation groups working on Petersfield Town Council land.
- Carbon Footprint:** To pay due regard to the Town Council's carbon footprint and the environmental impact of the Grounds policies and activities.
- Users Meeting:** To hold a Grounds Users Meeting in November or December each year.

POLICY FOR GROUNDS COMMITTEE



Children and

Young People: To recognise the needs and requirements for both children and young people of Petersfield

This Policy is subject to the Town Council's Financial Strategy.