

Ailsworth Parish Council

Parish Land

Working Group

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Adopted on (date)

Original signed (Chairman)

Date	Details of any revision
16/5/22	Added reference to Ailsworth Neighbourhood Plan
06/03/2023	Review for 16 Acre field focus
20/03/2023	Review for 16 Acre Field focus

Next review date May 2025 or as required.

Aims

This working group has responsibility for making recommendations and proposals to Ailsworth Parish Council on maximising the full benefits of land owned by Ailsworth Parish Council for the benefits of the whole community and the environment.

It aims to produce a Parish Land Strategy that sets out a clear vision and set of objectives for parish land and take a proactive approach to developing and delivering projects.

Authority

These terms of reference set out the membership, remit responsibilities and reporting arrangements of the Ailsworth Parish Council Parish Land Working Group.

The working group is appointed by, and responsible to, Ailsworth Parish Council. It has no delegated power to spend Parish Council funds and will make recommendations to Parish Councils and act on their instructions before implementing any project actions or changes. It has no delegated powers to make decisions on behalf of the Parish Council.

Membership

The working group will consist of:

At least 3 appointed Parish Councillors and up to 4 village residents.

Record of proceedings

Quorum of a meeting will be minimum 3 members which must include 1 Parish Councillor.

When a meeting is held, an agenda may be drawn up. Notes may be taken and agreed and a copy of them will be sent to the Clerk of the Parish Council to be included with associated paperwork for Parish Council meetings.

Responsibilities, to include but not limited to;

1. Developing a parish land strategy
2. Assessing the priorities for activities and projects in connection with parish land
3. Developing the strategy against the 3 year plan referred to in point 9 below and any further long-term plans that may subsequently be approved by the Parish Council. Working on projects particularly at the Recreation Ground & also the '16 acre field'
4. Assessing future work programmes
5. Assessing investment and funding options
6. Ensuring that parish land should:
 - a) provide a benefit to the parish community
 - b) promote good environmental conditions and biodiversity
 - c) provide opportunities for active and healthy lifestyles
7. Presenting ideas and costed improvement plans to the council for approval
8. Conducting a public consultation exercise to gain input from working groups and residents. With existing findings collated in the report of April 2022 and updated as necessary.
9. Preparing a draft 3 year plan based on the above
10. Providing updates on programmes at PC meetings
11. All members of the working group will consider the rules and guidelines followed by the Parish Council and endeavour to follow the Parish Council Code of Conduct in its dealings.
12. All actions and decisions by the group and the Parish Council will consider the Ailsworth Neighbourhood Plan and impact thereon.