King Georges Field Tisbury

Charity number:1083408 Registered as a charity on 14th November 2000

Agenda

A meeting of the Charity Trustees will be held on **Tuesday 3rd November 2026 at 8.15 pm, or on the rise of the Parish Council meeting,** in The Reading Room, High Street, Tisbury; ie immediately after the Tisbury Parish Council meeting.

2026.07	Apologies received and those present.	
2026.08	Approve the Minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 3rd March 2026	
2026.09	To receive and approve the Annual Report and Receipts & Payments information for the financial year: 2025/26	
2026.10	To approve the revised Asset Register as at 31st October 2026	
2026.11	To resolve to commission a professional valuation of the refurbished Tisbury Community Hub.	
2026.12	Formal permission/approval is sought to a proposal from Councillor Jerry Mason: THAT the Trustees of the King George V Playing Field Trust hereby: **1. AUTHORISE** Tisbury Parish Council to commission and conduct appropriate technical studies to assess the suitability of the land beneath the King George's Field for borehole installation as part of a potential district heating scheme. **2. SPECIFY** that such studies shall include, but are not limited to: • Geological surveys to assess subsurface conditions; • Hydrological investigations regarding groundwater presence and quality • Environmental impact considerations; • Assessment of compatibility with existing field usage and recreational activities. **3. LIMIT** all survey activity to non-invasive or minimally invasive methods during Phase One, with any intrusive works subject to separate written consent from the Trustees. **4. REQUIRE** that a comprehensive report of findings be submitted to the Trustees within six (6) months of the date of this resolution. **5. STIPULATE** that no development works shall proceed on the basis of these studies alone, and that any subsequent borehole installation or district heating infrastructure requires: • A further specific resolution of the Trustees; • All necessary planning permissions and regulatory consents; • Formal agreements addressing liability, maintenance responsibilities, and duration of use. **6. CONFIRM** that the playing field's primary purpose for recreational use shall remain paramount and that any proposed works must ensure minimal disruption to community access and usage.	

7. REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND OPERATING CONDITIONS

THAT the Trustees further resolve that any district heating scheme arising from these studies shall be subject to the following conditions, which shall be satisfied in full before any heat is supplied to any premises:

a) Authorisation

The operator shall hold a valid authorisation from Ofgem under the Heat Network (Market Framework) (Great Britain) Regulations 2025. The Trustees note that Ofgem assumed its role as heat network regulator on 27 January 2026, that networks operating before 26 January 2027 hold deemed authorisation only, that operators must register with Ofgem by 26 January 2027, and that from that date it is unlawful to operate a heat network or supply heat without prior authorisation.

b) Technical standards

The scheme shall comply with the Heat Network Technical Assurance Scheme (HNTAS) once in force, and in the interim shall be designed to meet or exceed the technical standards then proposed, including minimum seasonal performance requirements for any heat pump or borehole source.

c) Consumer protection

The Trustees shall require that the scheme operator complies with Ofgem's consumer protection rules, that customers have access to the Energy Ombudsman, and that the scheme adopts the Heat Trust voluntary code of practice or equivalent standards.

d) Tariff transparency and protection

The Trustees shall require publication of the proposed heat tariff in pence per kilowatt-hour, together with any standing charge, before any resident commits to connection.

The Trustees note that heat network customers are not protected by the Ofgem price cap and that residents therefore bear tariff risk. Accordingly, the Trustees shall seek contractual commitments on tariff-setting methodology, notice periods for increases, and the treatment of standing charges.

e) Zoning

The Trustees shall satisfy themselves as to whether the land falls within, or is likely to be designated within, a heat network zone under the zoning provisions of the Energy Act 2023, and shall take account of any designation in determining the scheme's governance and ownership.

f) Funding

The Trustees shall identify the funding route for capital costs, including but not limited to the Green Heat Network Fund and the Heat Network Efficiency Scheme, and shall obtain independent professional advice on the financial viability and on the apportionment of risk between the Trust, the Parish Council and its partners, the operator and connected households & other buildings.

g) Trust and land law

The Trustees shall obtain confirmation that the scheme is consistent with the terms of the Trust's governing deed, that any restriction protecting the land for recreational use is respected, and that all necessary consents - including planning permission, environmental permits for any abstraction or discharge, and any consent required from the Charity Commission or other regulator - have been obtained.

	h) Reversion Any lease, licence or easement granted in connection with the scheme shall include provision for reinstatement of the land to playing-field condition on termination, and shall not diminish public access to the field beyond the minimum necessary during construction.	
2026.13	Date of next meeting: Tuesday 2nd March 2027 at 6.30 pm – on the rise of the Tisbury Parish Council meeting scheduled for that evening at 7 pm.	