Land Registry update from Cllr Wyatt May 2025

A final update on the progress with registration of ownership of land which we believe belongs to the Parish Council.

Main playpark areas - All registered

Village Hall – All registered

Village Greens (Quoits pitch and war memorial areas and grassed areas around the village hall) – All registered.

Pond at Hillcrest. Following our discussions at the last meeting I have confirmed to Land Registry that we will not pursue a claim at this point. I have been in discussion with County Archives and would confirm that this are of land is covered by the Enclosures Act of 1811. Therefore, there can be no change to this without a further Act of Parliament. I have asked Land Registry to advise if this document and associated wording would be sufficient to register us as owners in the future should the need arise. The relevant paragraphs from the County Archives team is below.

The award of 1811 was carried out under an act of Parliament of 1807 (its full citation is George III Session 2 c.25 (Local and Personal)). The award enclosed stinted pasture called Hunton High and Low Scroggs measuring 68 acres, a common field called West Gill Field 122 acres and wastes, and moor and common measuring 488 acres. It also determined boundaries between manors of Hunton and adjoining parishes.

Please find attached a scan of the 1811 award taken from microfilm of the enrolled copy reference NRRD DA 83 219. Page 4 of the attached PDF (page 224 of NRRD volume DA) includes the following '.... I have also set out an appointed one public watering place No 22 on the said map containing one rood situate at Hunton Moor bounded east and north by William Kilburn's allotment west by Richmond Road and South by old enclosures which watering place shall from henceforth be and remain a watering place for the use of all and every the owners and occupiers of allotments and ancient enclosed lands within the township of Hunton aforesaid...'.

Pinfold. I never pursued this as its is clear that this area is not owned by any of the surrounding properties. This is one area that a claim for Adverse Possession could be submitted and we would have a strong case but I do not believe there is any risk associated with this area.