

**Minutes of a meeting of the Recreation and Parish Hall Committee held on
Thursday 14th January 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall.**

Attendance.

Borough Cllr. Miss M. Crow
Cllr. Mrs. D. Saxton
Cllr. Ms. T. Hopcroft
Cllr. R. Plumb
Cllr. J. Dickman
Cllr. S. Easom
Cllr. C. Shaw
Cllr. S. Brunt
Cllr. I. Campbell
Cllr. T. Rood

PC 2446 P. Toon
PCSO L. Holbrook

Clerk: D. M. Wheeldon

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr. T. Rood for late arrival
Cllr. I. Wilson

No apology from Cllr. D. Kirwan

2. Declarations of interest.

Nil

3. Meeting with Police representatives.

Pc Toon said he had little to report other than the fact that Kimberley was 30% down on crime figures compared with last year. He then read through the official press releases relating to the recent suspected murder.

In answer to questions he said that no further cases of antisocial behaviour had been reported from the Chapter Drive area and a warning had been issued regarding the fly tipping on Goodwin Drive.

4. The minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2009 were accepted as a true record.

5. Matters arising

Item 3 – patch walks – it was AGREED that Cllr. Brunt would liaise with Pc Toon regarding future patch walk attendances

Item 3 – Sainsbury's – it was AGREED that the Clerk write to the Manager asking for a meeting for a meeting between him (or his nominated representative) and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council.

Item 5.5.5.6 – road side planting – in view of the current financial climate it was AGREED to defer this item.

Item 5.5.5.7f – correspondence 758 was noted and it was AGREED to defer this to next month's meeting

Item 5.5.7c – War Memorial cobbles – correspondence 766 was noted

Item 5.5.6 – the Clerk advised he had not yet organised photographs to be taken

Item 7 – it was AGREED that the Clerk write again to J. Emsley at BBC regarding the promised work at the bottom of Goodwin Drive, which had still not been completed

Item 7 – Midland Railway cutting – it was AGREED to write to C. Langtry, Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust for the work undertaken and also ask if there were plans for any further volunteer days.

Item 11 – joint Parish/Town meetings re Grant Aid – Cllr. Crow said it had been a worthwhile exercise albeit unsuccessful in altering the decision of BBC. It was AGREED to recommend that such meetings continue on a quarterly basis.

Item 12 – Bowls Club Community involvement – it was AGREED to defer this to the next Recreation Committee meeting

Item 13 – Web site – various suggestions were made regarding inclusions for the web site and it was AGREED to defer this item to the next meeting for Councillors to consider any further suggestions

It was also AGREED that the Town Council email address be included on the letter headed paper

Item 16 – Stag ground access, correspondence 23 was noted, discussion took place regarding appointment of a surveyor by the defendants when we had been told this was not possible as it should be an appointment made by the Court.

Item 17 Cemetery Garden of Remembrance – correspondence 727 from BBC had been noted and it was AGREED to defer this to the next Full council meeting

6. Chair's report.

Cllr. Crow said she had nothing to report.

Cllr. Campbell said he had inspected the play areas and everything appeared in order. Work on the allotment road on Knowle Hill had progressed but currently hampered by the weather.

Cllr. Crow said that the Volunteer Days seemed to have lost some momentum and it was suggested that Kimberley School had expressed an interest about being involved. It was AGREED that the Clerk write to the School about this and also query whether or not there would be an issue with people not having CRB checks.

It was also AGREED that a Volunteer Day would take place on 7th February meeting at 10 am at the Midland Railway cutting, Hardy Close.

It was also AGREED to make this an agenda item for the next Recreation Committee meeting.

7. Footpath Warden's report.

Cllr. Plumb reported that a kissing gate from footpath 14 had been recovered and passed on to NCC. He said that there was also a need for a dog bin to be placed at the entrance to the Great Northern footpath on Church Hill.

Cllr. Campbell there was also a need for a dog bin on Millfield Road footpath and Cllr. Mrs. Saxton reported the need for one at the rear of 48 Chilton Drive as, since the bridge had been refurbished, more dog walkers had been using the footpath

Cllr. Rood reported the need for a handrail (or alternative surfacing) to assist people negotiating the drive way on Flixton Road to the park. Since the steps had been removed the newly installed surface was slippery, particularly in inclement weather.

It was also suggested that the grit bin be relocated from Coatsby Road to Flixton Road.

Discussion took place regarding the footpath through Brewery Wood and survey forms obtained from NCC. These would need to be completed by users of the footpath in order to support efforts to have it formally adopted as a footpath.

8. Play equipment weekly reports.

It was AGREED that the Clerk provide the relevant inspection report forms to Cllr. Easom and Cllr. Brunt.

9. MSW weekly report

The latest report from M. Winter had been circulated and noted. It was AGREED that, should there be anything on reports for the attention of the Police, a copy should be forwarded to Pc Toon.

Item 2 on the report – planting along the fence between the Bowls Club and Football Club – this was AGREED and it was AGREED to recommend a budget of £50-£100 for this.

It was AGREED that sealed tenders would be invited for the watering of hanging baskets and garden areas maintained by the Council.

It was AGREED that MSW should complete the planting in the planters under the notice boards and also provide the cost of providing greenhouses, seeds etc for the schools involvement. It was AGREED that the Clerk include this in the letter to Kimberley School.

10. Accounts for payment/signatories.

The list of accounts paid in December 2009 was noted and agreed. Cllr. Crow read through the accounts for January and these were approved.

Cllr. Brunt, Cllr. Plumb and Cllr. Mrs. Saxton were authorised to sign cheques.

11. Cemetery Chapel (corres. 688)

It was noted that the group considering works to be undertaken had not yet met. This was deferred to the next Recreation meeting.

12. Police powers (corres. 713)

Correspondence 713 from N. Palmer MP was noted. It was AGREED that the information provided by Cllr. Plumb, which pointed out responsibilities, be sent to N. Palmer and that BBC be asked to provide details of the Financial model which shows the civil enforcement of parking will break even in 3 years.

13. Local Transport Plan (corres. 714)

A suggestion for increased utilisation of the cycle path from Hempshill Vale was noted and Councillors were asked to consider any further suggestions for the next Full meeting as the deadline had been extended to 31st January.

14. Babbington Village (RP)

Cllr. Plumb reported on the fact that the owner of Mulberry Farm, Babbington had effectively cut off access to the village by allowing trees and shrubbery to grow across the road. It was AGREED to support the residents request that the roadway be fully re-opened. Clerk to write to NCC again and also keep this as an agenda item.

15. Health and Safety

It was AGREED to defer this to the next Recreation meeting.

16. Litter bins, Stag ground (corres. 748)

It was AGREED to recommend installation of the plastic bins. Clerk to obtain cost of installation which would have to be borne by the Town Council and this item was then deferred to the next Full meeting.

17. Stag pavilion repairs (corres. 754)

Correspondence 754 was noted. It was AGREED to defer this matter until the electricity supply installation had been completed. Electrician's advice to be sought on safety issues before consideration of repairs.

18. Events (MC)

Cllr. Crow reported that this was a time consuming responsibility and, together with her other commitments and work she was not able to continue with this. It was AGREED that the Events Committee meetings would be formalised as a monthly meeting to be held on the 3rd Thursday of the month and that they would be minuted by the Clerk as part of her duties.

19. Allotments

It was noted that the meeting for allotment holders had been arranged for Saturday 30th January at 12 midday.

20. KTFC

It was noted that, to date, no details had been discussed for invitations to tender for the lease of the ground. It was noted that the Clerk had been asked to look into the possibility of charging rental in the interim period and also the sharing of the cost of rates.

21. Planning applications

Planning applications and results from December were noted. There were none to be considered for January so far.

22. Correspondence.

19 – it was AGREED to seek an urgent site meeting with Craig Straw from Innes England to discuss progress with the proposed brewery site purchase.

5 – overgrown hedge Awsworth Lane – Clerk asked to contact BBC as there appears to be a misunderstanding of the location.

764 – suggestion from resident relating to the possible publication of an informative calendar by the Council. It was AGREED to defer this to the next Events Committee meeting.

23. Dates for next meetings.

Full Council 28th January 2010.

Recreation and Parish Hall Committee 11th February 2010.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.58 pm

Signed:

Chair

Date: