

PAPWORTH EVERARD PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting
held on the 8th June 2015 in the Seminar Room,
Papworth Village Hall, Ermine Street South

At 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Mark Honeywood, Chairman (MLH), Chris Howlett, (CH), Barry Hume (BH)

IN attendance: Tess Rogers, Clerk

1. Apologies for absence

Bob Baker

2. Declarations of pecuniary interest

None

3. To confirm and approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 20th April 2015.

It was resolved to accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting.

4. Matters arising or carried forward from the last meeting

4.1 4.1 To confirm that the anti vandal paint has been applied to the containers standing on the field.

This work will be carried out on the 13th June.

4.2 4.2 Update on the progress of creating a new village sign.

This will be progressed once CH has taken an appropriate photograph of the village hall which can be used as part of the sign illustration.

4.3 4.5 To receive an update regarding the removal of the fencing surrounding the old tennis courts.

MH is to make further enquiries of a contact who may be able to help with this matter.

4.4 4.7 an update regarding the condition of the public benches for which the parish council has responsibility.

MH has visited and photographed nine benches to date and will continue the exercise to bring his findings back to the next meeting.

4.5 4.8 Update on report to be made to the County Highways Department regarding the damaged footpath in Ridgeway.

CH has heard nothing further since reporting this to the Highways Department. He will make further enquiries.

4.6 To receive a report on any maintenance necessary to the bus shelters.

This remains work in progress. The clerk will contact the company that supplied the shelters for advice regarding routine weatherproofing necessary to maintain the shelters in good condition.

5.0 To consider the possibility of the old tennis courts being the designated parking area for the sports clubs.

The courts are still used to play sports upon therefore this is not a possibility.

6.0 Paddling Pool

To decide upon actions necessary to enable the opening of the paddling pool for the coming Summer season, to include pre season maintenance work, employment of a pool maintenance person and consideration to be given to the hire of porta loos to serve the play area through the Summer.

It was agreed that the clerk would request a quote from the Papworth Trust to drain and clear the pool. CH would ask if the fire service might be prepared to help pump out the pool. MH would speak with Paul Phillips regarding any maintenance

necessary to the pool surface. The clerk will contact Latta Hire for availability of 2 single porta loos to serve the play area through the summer period.

7.0 Street Signs

To consider action necessary as some are dirty, some remain where premises no longer exist.

Bob Baker had requested this item to be added to the agenda, as he was not present at the meeting the clerk will ask him which signs, in particular, were causing concern. It has been noted that the sign destroyed whilst removing the horse chestnut tree at Varrier Jones Drive has been reinstated.

8.0 To reconsider running the RoSPA playground inspection course for volunteers.

It was resolved to remove this item from consideration.

9.0 To review the terms of reference for this committee.

The clerk will make necessary changes to this document now that the playing fields committee has been reinstated in its own right. Once the changes are made the document will be presented at a future meeting for review.

10.0 Play Area Inspection Report

To include the report received from Wicksteed Playgrounds following their representatives' visit on the 27th May.

The report from Wicksteed Playgrounds contained a quote for necessary repairs to the rocking horse at £1936.86 and advice regarding filling in the ground erosion below the platform of the roundabout. MLH will contact Wicksteed to enquire further with regard to the advice given concerning the roundabout.

MLH will forward the recent weekly inspection sheets to the clerk.

11.0 Matters for further consideration

11.1 To consider providing a bridge across the ditch from Ermine Street North as members of the public do cross the ditch at a certain point to access the play area rather than using the path leading from Chequers Lane.

12.0 Date of next meeting.

21st July 2015

Close of meeting

The meeting was closed at 20.50.

Signed:
Chairman

Date: