

WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Leisure & Amenities Committee of Wootton Parish Council

held on Wednesday 25th August 2010 at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Present: Councillors, P Prescod, C Bennett, S Cruse, J Wheeler, J Cunningham.

In attendance; M Alexander (Clerk)

LA10/25. Apologies
Cllr K Wright

LA10/26. Declarations of interest on any items on the agenda
None.

LA10/27. Open Forum
None.

LA10/28. Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30th June 2010
Were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

LA10/29. Matters arising from the Minutes
The Clerk was asked to ensure Cllr Quirk as Chairman of this Council Planning Committee, was aware of his committees responsibilities with regard to the erection of the village Christmas tree again this year, and the addition of extra lighting if possible.

Cllr Bennett was pleased to advise the members she was now in possession of a large scale map of the village which would enable 'more accurate' placing / mapping of this Councils 'street furniture' as well as plotting items in this Councils portfolio of current responsibilities.

The Clerk was asked to check Christmas expenditure from 2009.

LA10/30. Summer Scheme
The Chairman verbally reported on the overall success of the recent Summer Scheme. Many children took the opportunity to register and attend the daily events which was spread over the 2 week period. The Chairman confirmed that a full and detailed report would be submitted to the next meeting of the Leisure and Amenities Committee. The Chairman took this opportunity to formally thank all those members who helped in any capacity on the scheme. It was agreed that given the success and demand for the scheme during the 2 weeks, a much more comprehensive and similar type of activity could be offered to the village again in 2011, but this would be dependent on the success of funding applications etc.

LA10/31. MUGA

Cllr Bennett reported on the possible opportunity for the refurbishment of the village MUGA. It was understood that funding could be available via the BBC Councillors Ward funding stream, and possibly the Beds Rural Affairs Committee. Cllr Bennett was asked to make further and more in-depth enquiries and in the first instance lodge our own interest with the BBC ward Councillors for consideration. The Chairman advised the members that the actual surfacing of the MUGA could also be updated, and the Clerk was asked to gain suitable quotes for the work.

LA10/32. Changing Room

The Clerk advised the members that a request had been received from the WVFC to store various items in the changing rooms. It was felt that as space was available that this would be expectable, however the Clerk was asked to ensure the team were advised that only a combination lock should be placed on the door for locking. In addition the Clerk was asked to inform the Wootton Country Players of the same information and a deadline of the end of September for any changeovers to be actioned, would be set. Both parties should advise the Clerk of the combinations for reasons of access.

LA10/33. Any other Business

Cllr Cunningham reminded the Clerk that a complaint about a 'squeaky swing chain' in the Memorial Play Area had been received from a resident.

Cllr Prescod requested that when organising this year's Christmas tree installation, that the Committee also consider adopting an 'opening' type of event to celebrate the coming Christmas season.

LA10/34. Action Plan Matrix

***Resolved;** that the updated action plan be received and updated again in time for the next meeting of this Committee.*

Chairman_____

Next meeting 10th November 2010