

WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Leisure & Amenities Committee** held on Wednesday 26th September 2012 at 8pm in the Memorial Hall, Bedford Road, Wootton.

Present. Cllrs Bygraves, Chalmers, Doggrell and Lloyd.
The Clerk (Sue Playford).

LA12/16 Apologies for absence.
Cllrs Wallace and Wheeler. No apologies were received from Cllr Cruse.

LA12/17 Declarations of interest on any items on the agenda.
None.

LA12/18 Report from outside organisations.
None.

LA12/19 List of correspondence received (copies of correspondence can be requested from the clerk).
Temporary closure of Fields Road, Wootton. The closure was due to take place earlier in the year but had been re-scheduled. It was now anticipated this closure (from Woburn Road to Sherwood Close), to enable resurfacing work, would take place from Wednesday 10th October 2012 until Friday 12th October 2012, between 9am and 3.30pm.
The clerk informed those present that this had been brought to the Leisure & Amenities committee, as the next Planning committee meeting was on the day of the closure - 10th October.

The clerk informed all members present that she and Cllr Quirk were meeting with the Borough Council on the 3rd October 2012 to discuss the grass cutting arrangements for the village, in light of the discrepancies found whilst undertaking a review.

Open Forum - meeting to be adjourned.

There were no members of the public present so the meeting continued without adjournment.

LA12/20 Minutes of the meeting.
Members of the Leisure & Amenities committee were asked to receive and adopt the minutes of the Leisure & Amenities committee meeting held on the 13th June 2012.
The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

LA12/21 Matters arising from the minutes to include issues log review.
LA12/09 – RoSPA findings. The handyman is due to commence the works outlined w/c 24.9.12.
LA12/13 – Insurance review. Ongoing.
LA12/14 then FC12/80 – Skate park. See agenda item LA12/23.
LA12/15 - Village events/organisations - clerk and Cllr Wallace have requested details of all events within the village open to the general public. Clerk has received some, but not all responses.

LA12/22 To receive a report from Cllr Bygraves with regard to the formation of a committee dealing with recreation ground football pitches, ongoing maintenance and usage.

Cllr Bygraves reported he had agreed at last full council to represent the parish council and attend committee meetings involving all teams wishing to use the area. After discussion it was agreed that the clerk contact all teams to arrange a meeting before Christmas to discuss the terms of reference and the best way forward.

Action - clerk to take forward as above.

LA12/23 To receive a report from Cllr Bygraves with regard to the latest skate park developments.

Cllr Bygraves confirmed the F&GP committee had earlier agreed to recommend to full council, that an contribution of £23k be given to the proposed skate park, from the Bellway s106 monies. Veolia would see this as indicative of the parish council's support - this represented 20% of total costs. Cllr Bygraves also confirmed that grants were being submitted to Sports England and the Rural Grants Scheme. In addition, letters had been sent to some 100 companies seeking sponsorship for the skate park. Cllr Lloyd enquired as to the next stage, should funding be received in full. The clerk recommended that a contractor firstly be formally appointed and that an open consultation evening be held, to address concerns raised during the village consultation from those who were against the proposal.

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 s106.

LA12/24 To receive a report from Guy Lambourne (Marston Vale Trust) with regard to an upcoming series of events.

The report was circulated ahead of the meeting. After discussion it was agreed that the clerk circulate it to all key members in the village, to include pre-schools, schools, churches and other organisations who may wish to attend, under advice to Guy.

Action - clerk to take forward as above.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Chairman.....

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