

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF EAST LEAKE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT PARISH OFFICE ON TUESDAY 15th MARCH 2016 AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT Councillors Gary Grayston, Conrad Oatey, Peter Rapley, Glennis Robinson(Chairman), Mel Roper, Kevin Shaw, Carys Thomas,

The Clerk Lesley Bancroft and Cllr John Thurman were also present.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs Lorna Clark, Marie Males and Caroline Harroe reasons agreed and approved

15/AME/081 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

15/AME/082 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Mel Roper declared an interest in 15/AME/088 Meadow Park

15/AME/083 TO REPORT MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES DATED 16th FEBRUARY 2016 NOT ON THE AGENDA – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

None

The meeting closed at 7.32pm

15/AME/084 TO REVIEW AND FOLLOW UP ON THE INSTALLATION OF THE NEW PLAY AREA

A former representative of the Play Equipment Working Party raised the following with the Committee.

1. Additional benches/picnic tables
2. Planting around the new play area for aesthetic purposes and shade
3. A swing which allowed for disabled access
4. A possibility of further climbing equipment

The Committee would look further at the provision of benches/picnic tables subject to funding. Proludic would be approached for further information regarding the disabled access swing. A map of the area indicating planting and seating is to be submitted to the Parish Council.

The meeting re-opened at 7.40pm.

15/AME/085 TO CONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL BINS IN THE SHARPLEY DRIVE AREA

The Committee agreed that there should be a dual purpose bin installed on the left hand corner junction of Sharpley Drive/Lantern Lane and that the Lantern Lane developer will be approached to fund the new bin. The Borough Dog Warden is to be asked to patrol the area at the time the school children go to and come from school to account for the number of parents with dogs using the area and the bin.

**Proposed Cllr Carys Thomas Seconded Cllr Gary Grayston
Agreed Unanimously**

15/AME/086 TO SUGGEST STREET NAMES FOR THE NEW DEVELOPMENT ON LAND EAST OF KIRK LEY ROAD

Cllr John Thurman, not on the Amenities Committee, addressed the members to emphasise that the new development East of Kirk Ley Road street names should have a connection with Sheep Wash

Brook as this is the main feature of the area and land which surrounds the development. A proposed naming scheme was also tabled.

RECOMMENDATION

The main road into and surrounding the estate is to be known as Sheep Wash Way. Streets off the main road as per the scheme and for final decision at Full Council.

**Proposed Cllr Carys Thomas Seconded Cllr Conrad Oatey
Agreed Unanimously**

15/AME/087 TO REVIEW BURIAL GROUND REGULATIONS IN RELATION TO INTERMENTS ON A SATURDAY

The guidance for Funeral Directors was reviewed in general and in addition making clear the possibility that Saturday interments may be allowed under exceptional circumstances, subject to extra charges and staff availability – Agreed.

15/AME/088 TO REVIEW PROGRESS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR ONGOING PROJECTS IN RELATION TO:

Parking: Signs for HC Car Park – To consult the previous agreement/minutes of the Council regarding the signage and move this forward.

Meadow Park: Management Plan – A reminder that items for the Management Plan be submitted by the end of March

Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board to be contacted regarding their review of Kingston Brook which to date the Parish Council has not received.

Rest Garden: Planting Scheme, Fencing Quotes -Having discussed quotes for the re-installation of the fence from the Gotham Road Playground (old) to the Rest Garden the following was agreed.

RECOMMENDATION

To accept the quote from StreetWise - £2609.00 with the emphasis on making good and safe the area where the fence will be removed from the Gotham Road Play Park.

**Proposed Cllr Conrad Oatey Seconded Cllr Carys Thomas
Agreed by 6 in favour with 1 abstention**

The Environment Agency is to be contacted regarding the polluted area on the Rest Garden.

The planting scheme and quote £369.41 was agreed.

Workshop Extension – A specification for Building Regulations was being drawn up against which quotes could be obtained.

Closed Churchyard – No matters to report

Play Equipment - The three months trial of the Skate Park Inspection Routine was due for review. It was agreed to continue with the present inspection routine and schedule until such time as the workshop extension had been achieved which would allow for the storage of materials by the Parish Council for the Skate Park repairs and subject to review of the inspection process at that time – Agreed.

Burial Ground – Maintenance and Artefacts – Upon inspection some artefacts had been removed and placed by the tap. Broken ornaments, dead and faded flowers have been removed. Glass items have been removed.

Cllr Conrad Oatey had met with a family regarding the disappearance of a basket containing family messages. This had been removed but no one knew who had removed it. Cllr Oatey had expressed, on behalf of the Parish Council, his sorrow to the family that this had happened.

Burial Ground Maintenance – To replace the gate from the allotments to the Burial Ground wooded area. Logs at our disposal to be removed to Meadow Park for use by the Forest School. The manhole cover over the septic tank is to be replaced with a more heavy duty cover. To establish ownership of part of the hedge in the wooded area in order to carry out maintenance work on the hedge.

CCTV – The CCTV equipment has been ordered. Awaiting installation.

**15/AME/089 TO REPORT CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING –
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1. Premier 1 (UK) Ltd – Quotation for Floral Displays 2016 - Noted

15/AME/090 QUESTIONS TO CHAIRMAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING ORDER 23.

Cllr Mel Roper

When I first became a counsellor we did a village walk about and noted a lot of items that we would like doing - it would be nice to discuss this on a regular basis at Amenities and get regular updates as to how the tasks are going and tick off those that have been completed so I can tell the complaining public what we are getting done. To be agenda item for the next Amenities Meeting

Meeting closed at 9.46pm