

DITTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OPEN SPACES & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 21ST MARCH 2011

PRESENT: CLLRS P HATCHER, MRS A THROSSELL, M J PORTER [CHAIR OF COUNCIL (EX-OFFICIO)] AND J A BEADLE [VICE-CHAIR OF COUNCIL (EX-OFFICIO)]
MRS N GREENAWAY (DEPUTY CLERK)

567. OPENING OF MEETING

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, the meeting was opened at 7.39pm by Cllr Porter.

568. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were **RECEIVED** from Cllrs Mrs Thwaites, Mulcuck, Mrs Houghton, Newman and Stone. The previously notified reasons for absence were recorded in the absence book ref 106 and **ACCEPTED** and **APPROVED**.

569. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

570. FINANCE

(a) Financial Analysis

READ and **NOTED**.

(b) MUGA Fees - Annual Review

A schedule of recent annual increases was **CIRCULATED** and it was **NOTED** that the income from this facility will far exceed the budget expectation and the income from tokens more than covered the cost of electricity. It was also **NOTED** that several new users had just started to hire the facility and it may deter them from continuing if a rise were imposed on them immediately.

RESOLVED not to increase the MUGA fees on 1st April but to review them in six months time.

571. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM LAST MEETING

(a) Seat in front of St Peter's Court [Page 234, Item 503(a)]

It was **NOTED** that no further progress had been made because of staff illness.



(b) Snow Clearance using a snow plough [Page 234, Item 503(b)]

NOTED the Deputy Clerk had sent a reminder to KHS.

(c) Barbed wire, holly bush & steps onto recreation ground [Page 234, Item 503(d)]

NOTED this matter was to be reviewed after 31st March 2011.

(d) Suggested Revisions to Byelaws (Page 234, Item 503(e))

NOTED no further information was available.

(e) Fallen Tree in Conservation Area (Page 236, Item 508)

NOTED the Grounds Staff had looked at the tree and it was not dangerous.

(f) Storage Container (Page 234, Item 502(d))

RESOLVED to review this matter in the new financial year.

572. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR DECISION**

Mrs Thomas:

RESOLVED Request to trim trees
THE GROUNDS SUPERVISOR WILL ARRANGE FOR THE TREE SURGEON TO LOOK AT THESE TREES. IT WAS NOTED THEY MAY NOT BE ABLE TO BE TRIMMED UNTIL THE AUTUMN.

Playdale:

Letter re replacement net for goal end
It was **NOTED** that Playdale will not install the replacement net free of charge. It was further **NOTED** that the TMBC Leisure Services had been informed of the poor customer service received over this matter.
RESOLVED TO ASK FOR THE NET TO BE SENT AND THE COUNCIL'S STAFF WILL SEE IF THEY CAN DO THE INSTALLATION.

Holtwood Rangers:

RESOLVED Request to have John Millard's burger van present during fun day
TO ACCEDE TO THIS REQUEST SUBJECT TO THE USUAL CONDITIONS OF THE GROUND BEING LEFT AS IT IS FOUND.

573. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR NOTING**

Open Spaces Society:

RESOLVED Open Space Spring 2011 Vol. 29 No. 10
CLLR MRS THROSSELL WILL READ THIS ITEM.

574. **CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.