

DITTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE OPEN SPACES & AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 20th JANUARY 2020

PRESENT: CLLRS MRS DENNISON (CHAIR) MRS J THWAITES (VICE-CHAIR),
MR A MULCUCK, MRS G GODDEN, MRS A THROSSELL, MRS J DEARDEN
AND MR N NEWMAN
MR N SAUNDERS (Grounds Supervisor)
MRS G JEFFS (Administrative Assistant)
MRS N GREENAWAY (Clerk to the Council)

403. **OPENING OF MEETING**

The meeting was opened by the Chair at 8.02pm.

404. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None received

405. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Cllr Mrs Godden declared an interest in item 5a and Cllr Mrs Thwaites declared an interest in item 6 Allotments.

406. **FINANCE**

(a) Month 8

CIRCULATED, READ and NOTED

407. **RECREATION GROUNDS MATTERS**

(a) Dog fouling in the Quarry (requested by Cllr Godden)

Cllr Godden reported that on a recent walk she had **NOTED** there seemed to be an excessive amount of dog Fouling.

The Administrative Assistant reported conversations that had been had with the Dog Warden. Cllr Godden will contact the Dog Warden to talk through options for the village. It was also **NOTED** that the Administrative Assistant has requested further signage for the Quarry which will be delivered shortly.

(b) New business on recreational grounds length of agreement (requested by Cllr Dennison).

A discussion took place regarding the review of all the business use on the recreational grounds. It was **AGREED** that at the start of the new financial year (April to March)

the users of the recreational grounds will need to submit new requests to use the grounds. All requests to be reviewed annually.

RESOLVED The administrative Assistant will write to each business and explain the review.

408. **ALLOTMENT MATTERS**

(a) Allotment waiting list criteria- resident correspondence

It was **REPORTED** a resident had made a verbal enquiry but no correspondence was not received.

It was **NOTED** an allotment inspection will not take place until April, but in the interim a few plots that have been highlighted will be checked on. If no progress has been made then further action will be taken.

409. **TREES AND PLANTING**

(a) Tree packs for Parish Council – tree planting scheme

It was **REPORTED** the Parish Council was able to purchase tree saplings at a favourable price. Further information will be sought and this will be **REPORTED** to the next Council Meeting. The Administrative Assistant will make contact to see if there is a closing date to apply.

410. **QUARRY LINE MATTERS**

(a) MVCP working day (Bee cliff, Little Valley and Scrubby bank)

A request was **READ** and **CIRCULATED** from the Quarry Working Party Committee, it was **AGREED** funding was available to have the MVCP working day.

(b) Macey's Meadow - Hay bailer

It was **REPORTED** a meeting will be taking place regarding the hay bailer, which will cover future costs, location stored. A report of this meeting will be available for consideration at the next meeting.

(c) Frequency of Ground staff work in Quarry

A discussion took place regarding the frequency of the working party mornings. It was **REPORTED** these have become more frequent and were happening fortnightly.

RESOLVED Ground staff will only be available monthly, unless there is a special project or urgent matters.

411. **CORRESPONDENCE FOR NOTING**

(a) Countryside Voices Winter 2019/2020

(b) Arbor Winter 2019

(c) Fields in Trust – Field Notes Winter 2019

CIRCULATED, READ and NOTED

412. **CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Chairman
3rd February 2020

