

## **PULBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL**

**A Meeting of the Recreation and Open Spaces Committee was held at the Sports Pavillion on Thursday, 12 April 2007 at 8.00 pm.**

**Present:** Mrs C Barnett (Chairman)  
Mrs J Botting  
Mr D Boulton  
Mr J Denison  
Mrs A Lawson

**36. APOLOGIES**

No apologies for absence were received.

**37. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

**38. MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2007 were received and signed. It was agreed to carry forward the minutes from the last meeting of the Nutbourne Common Recreation Ground to Full Council for receiving and signing.

**39. MATTERS ARISING**

**39.1 S106 Funding for Mason's Way**

The Clerk reported that the application for funding had been forwarded to HDC.

**39.2 Lighting at the Moat**

The Clerk reported that ownership of the Moat was not known at this time. Mr Boulton advised it was the road called "The Moat" that was in question and it was owned by Saxon Weald. The Clerk was instructed to contact Saxon Weald to ask them to install lighting in the footpath behind the Moat, as electricity could be run from a nearby lamppost.

**40. PUBLIC SPEAKING**

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

**41. RUGBY CLUB LEASE**

The Committee were aware that the Rugby Club wished to extend their lease beyond the end of the 2007 season. It was agreed that the lease should be extended by one year at a time, with the proviso the Parish Council could terminate the agreement with two month's notice. This was to allow for the building of the new Sports Centre. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain what other Rugby Clubs pay for an annual lease and then to contact Hilary Tyrell at Anderson Longmore and Higham to draw up a draft contract. This was to be included on the next agenda.

**42. BRIDGE IN POCKET PARK**

The Clerk and Assistant Clerk requested a site visit to ascertain the size required for the bridge carrying the WSCC footpath and also to see what improvements were needed on the small wooden bridge. It was agreed that Mr Denison and Mr Garrett of the Pocket Park Association should meet with

the Clerk and Assistant Clerk on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at 1.30pm and Mark Whitwell from WSCC Highways should be invited to attend. The outcome of the meeting would be included on the next agenda.

#### **43. ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR THE RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE**

##### **43.1 Nutbourne Common Recreation Ground**

The Clerk reported that posts and branches had been erected next to the new gate. Members agreed this barricade should be removed from the Parish Council land, as it had been erected without the Council's permission and was an eyesore. The Clerk was instructed to arrange for the removal of the barricade.

##### **43.2 Snackwagon**

The Clerk advised members that the Snackwagon had been stationed in the Sports and Social Club car park for three weeks in February without any visitors. HDC had suggested three new locations with a view to a return visit to Pulborough for seven weeks starting on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2007. Members agreed they would allow the Snackwagon to be situated on the basketball area, as it would be off the road but also in full view of any young person using the Recreation Ground. The Clerk was instructed to advise HDC accordingly.

#### **44. CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **44.1 Keen Fencing – Quotation for work to be carried out at Nutbourne Common Recreation Ground.**

The Committee received the quotation from Shane Keen. The Clerk was instructed to obtain a quotation for the supply of 3' green fencing from Barrie Feest; another quote from Shane Keen for erection of the fencing only and also for a quote from Burroughs of Billingshurst for the same work.

##### **44.2 Email from Lyndon Johnson, HDC concerning bins**

Members received a copy of an email from Lyndon Johnson concerning the Committee's queries concerning dog bins and litter bins. It was agreed to purchase a dog bin for Nutbourne Common and Mr Boulton volunteered to make sure the ground was suitable for a vehicle to be able to turn. The Clerk was instructed to arrange a site visit between Mr Johnson and Mrs Barnett with reference to a new dog bin near Rectory Lane.

Mr Johnson also reported in his email that a replacement bin would be sited in the Spinney but no bins would be erected at either Monkey Hill or near the Court House, as these had been replaced and stolen three times within the last eight months.

##### **44.3 Email from Mr Riddle concerning Nutbourne Common Recreation Ground**

The Committee noted the contents of the email.

##### **44.4 Environment Agency**

The notification of recruitment of customers to the Agency's Floodline Warnings Direct service was noted by members.

**44.5 Email from Mr Spellman, Little Dippers**

The Committee noted that Mr Spellman wished to reinstate a fence at the back of his garden, backing onto a public footpath. The Clerk informed members the email had been forwarded to WSCC Public Rights of Way, who would contact Mr Spellman direct. He had also asked for the stile to be repaired, as the top wooden bar had been sawn through, which would allow the farmer's cows to escape. The Clerk was instructed to ensure the stile was repaired.

**46. URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**

Mrs Lawson informed the Committee there were still deep potholes in Nutbourne Lane between Redfold Farm and Woodleigh. The Clerk was instructed to request repair work should be done by WSCC Highways as a matter of urgency.

Mr Denison reported a litter bin missing from New Place Road. The Clerk advised that HDC were unwilling to replace this bin yet again, as it always ended up in the stream.

Mr Boulton stated he wished to push for lighting in the footpath behind the Moat and was willing to meet a representative of Saxon Weald on a site visit to show where they could obtain electricity via a lamppost in the vicinity. He also stated the path needed resurfacing.

Mrs Botting advised members she had not received a copy of the latest Parish Council newsletter. The Clerk was instructed to advise Mr Goldsmith that Mrs Botting, Mr Kiverstein, Mr Denison and Mrs Lawson and their neighbours had not received newsletters. Mrs Barnett requested another newsletter as she had given her copy to her neighbour as his was incomplete.

**47. PAYMENTS**

RESOLVED: that the payments of the following cheques be approved and signed:

AON Ltd	£164.61
Burgess and Randall	£22.80
Viking Direct	£48.45

The Meeting Closed at 9.21 p.m.

..... Chairman

..... Date