

**St Leonards & St Ives Parish Council
Amenities Committee Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held on 5th September, 2007 at 7.34pm**

Members Present: Cllr Mrs K Redknap Chairman in the chair

Cllr Mrs V Bell	Cllr Mrs J House
Cllr J Crow	Cllr Mrs S Smith
Cllr R Dudman	Cllr Mrs A Warman
Cllr M Dyer	

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs Parish Clerk

206. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Crow declared a prejudicial interest in item 10 on the agenda and left for the discussion and vote on this item. Cllr Mrs Redknap declared a possible prejudicial interest in item 13 as she is a resident in this road and left for the discussion and vote on this item.

207. Apologies for absence: Cllr I Maddock, and Cllr Willetts.

208. Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 4th July 2007, page 21 were confirmed as a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs House, seconded by Cllr Mrs Bell.

209. Matters arising from the Minutes: None

210. Correspondence:

- a. Street naming notification: 6 Hill Way will now be known as Honeycroft, 6 Hill Way. Noted.
- b. Street naming notification: 1 Braeside Road will now be known as 10 Malmesbury Road. Noted.
- c. Street naming notification: 53 Avon Castle Drive will now be known as Herons Mead 53 Avon Castle Drive. Noted.

211. Jubilee Copse: The Clerk will contact Brian Kliger and Moors Valley as there has to date been no further information on the project.

212 Horton Road

- i) The Clerk reported the theft of the nets for goals. Replacements will cost £32.76 + VAT. It was agreed unanimously, to proceed with replacing the nets. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Warman, seconded by Cllr Dudman.

RESOLVED: To purchase a set of replacement nets at a cost of £32.76 + VAT.

- ii) Cllrs Mrs Smith and Mrs Redknap reported on the meeting held with Terrafirma Maintenance concerning the fencing and protective planting. It was agreed to instruct Terrafirma to clear the ditch as soon as possible. The Clerk will obtain a quotation for supplying and planting Pyracantha plants to protect the fence.

213. Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

- a. EDDC Playground Inspection Report. Noted. The Clerk instructed the repairs to the aerial runway cost £70, under Health & Safety powers.
- b. The Clerk explained that although the refurbishment of the chainlink fencing and costs had been sanctioned, approval for purchasing the kissing gate at a cost of £ 347 (+ £90 delivery charge) had not been sanctioned by Council. It was agreed to proceed with the purchase.

RESOLVED: To purchase the kissing gate at a cost of £347 + £ 90 delivery charge + VAT.

214. Play Park Refurbishment –

- i) The Clerk is still waiting for the agreement before being able to place the orders for equipment.
- ii) The structural check to the aerial runway will be carried out prior to refurbishment. It was agreed to proceed with the structural check and the repainting after the gravel has been moved. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Smith seconded by Cllr Mrs House

RESOLVED: To proceed with the structural check of the aerial runway, cost £60 plus £150 for rubbing down and repainting.

215. Bus Shelter at St Leonards Hospital

A quotation of £435 for materials, constructing and installing a seat in the shelter had been received. This was discussed. It was agreed to proceed with the work. Proposed by Cllr Mrs House, seconded by Cllr Mrs Smith.

RESOLVED: To accept the quotation of £435 to supply materials, construct and install a seat in the shelter.

216. Budget planning – Members were asked to consider what financial commitments will be required for the forthcoming financial Year and advise the Clerk so that provision within the budget can be agreed. The Clerk will note matters within the Parish Plan.

217. Clarifying Delegated powers on spending within the terms of reference – A change of wording had been circulated to Members a copy of this appears as Appendix A with these Minutes in the Minute Book. It was agreed to recommend to Council to accept the change of wording to the Terms of Reference. Proposed by Cllr Dyer, seconded by Cllr Mrs Bell.

RESOLVED: To recommend to Full Council to adopt the change of wording, as suggested, to clarify the spending powers of this Committee.

218. Highway Matters: Emails from DCC concerning the conditions for the erection of 30mph signs for Struan Gardens and Ashley Park had been circulated to Members. A copy of which appears as Appendix B with these Minutes in the Minute Book. This was discussed. It was agreed to note and accept the conditions. The Clerk will confirm acceptance to DCC.

219. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting scheduled for 3rd October, 2007
2. Cllr Mrs House asked about the replacement sign for the Woolsbridge Road/A31 junction. Cllr Mrs Warman advised that Highways were dealing with this and that a new sign had been ordered.
3. Cllr Mrs Warman reported:
 - i) The EDDC Enforcement Team had issued notice to Tree Tops caravan park for allowing more than 15 caravans on site at one time. Permission to store caravans during the winter had also been refused.
 - ii) A retrospective application for fencing in Matchams Close was of concern due to the height. Cllr Mrs Warman has requested the matter to go to Committee.
 - iii) EDDC Planning Committee will be determining the Care Village application on 11th September.
 - iv) Village Hall - The lines in the car park are to be repainted. Retiling of the porch will take place on 8th September.
4. Cllr Dyer asked that Members keep matters raised under this heading to Amenities items.

The meeting ended at 8.08pm

Chairman