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**St Leonards & St Ives Parish Council
Amenities Committee Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held on 1st September 2010, at 7.30pm
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards**

Members Present: Cllr Mrs J House, Chairman

Cllr Mrs V Bell

Cllr J Crow

Cllr M Dyer

Cllr Mrs A Warman

Cllr R Bryan

Cllr R Dudman

Cllr Mrs S Smith

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs Parish Clerk, Cllr R Warman observing

Open Forum: None

162. Declarations of Interest – None

163. Apologies: None

164. Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting held on 7th July 2010, pages 17 & 18 were confirmed as a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs V Bell, seconded by Cllr R Bryan.

165. Matters arising from the Minutes:

1. Minute 31.2 - on visiting the site the original fence has been put back in situ. Noted.
2. Request for a rail at the bus stop adjacent to Horton Road – Minute 92 – The Clerk responded as requested to DCC and copied the correspondence to Cllr Richardson. Cllr Richardson is dissatisfied with the response to the Parish request and is making further investigations.
3. Following the pressure washing of the bus shelters the Lengthsman has been following on with minor repairs to shelters and repainting seats. Noted.

166. Correspondence:

1. Street Naming – 1 Hill Way to be known as 1 and 1A Hill Way
2. Street Naming – land adj 52 Ringwood Road to be known as 50 Ringwood Road

167. Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

- i) The inspection report was received and noted. The Clerk reported that the self closing mechanism on one gate had been vandalised. The Clerk will investigate the suggestions put forward.
- ii) Annual Inspection by the Play Inspection Company has been carried out there was a medium risk brought up mainly concerning the aerial slide and depth of gravel. The Clerk will obtain costs to top up. The report has also been copied to SAS Playgrounds for comment:
- iii) Quotes for work were reported as follows:-
 - a) Repairing worn grass area around seat and tennis court and weed treat all grass areas around car park reseeding area in field by high chain link fence £195 + VAT. This was discussed. It was agreed, unanimously, to proceed with acceptance of the quote provided the quote included raking and preparing the ground prior to seeding. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Bell seconded by Cllr Mrs Smith.
RESOLVED: To proceed with acceptance of the quote provided the quote included raking and preparing the ground prior to seeding, cost £195 +VAT.
 - b) Weed treating Braeside recreation ground £397 + VAT and Vertidrain Braeside recreation ground £410 + VAT. This was discussed. Members were concerned that if weeds were removed there would be little grass left. Additional reseeding would then be necessary. This was discussed the Clerk was instructed to produce a specification and seek specialist advice.

168. Lengthsman – repainting of seats and minor bus shelter repairs have been carried out.

169. Horton Road – Higher volumes of rubbish have been reported by the Lengthsman. Further information will be sought.

- 170. Budget planning** – Concern about the withdrawal of services by DCC in relation to weeds and grit bins. The Clerk has contacted Ferndown Town Council to ask about the weed spraying wagon and whether it will be possible to use it in the Parish as there is a list of badly affected pavements already compiled following the curtailing of the service by DCC. The Clerk was asked to get the relevant policy from DCC. Further inquiries as to the work carried about by the PMU will also be made. A degree of inconsistency was noted in the handling of requests and work being carried out. It was agreed that the Clerk will ask Mr Miles Butler, DCC for details of work that will still be done for consideration during the budget setting process. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Smith, seconded by Cllr Mrs V Bell.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk will write to DCC as instructed.

- 171. Replacement Shelter A31** – The Insurance money received totals £914.89. A new shelter similar in style to the remaining shelters (glass and metal) is quoted at £2270 (March 2010) plus £150 for a perch seat (+ VAT). The shelter is in the Green Belt and to change the style will require planning permission. The wooden shelter replacement was quoted at £914.89+VAT. This was discussed. It was agreed that wood is easy to repair. After further discussion it was agreed, unanimously, due to costs to proceed with a replacement wooden shelter with a seat. The Clerk will check with Planning at EDDC to see if permission is still required. Proposed by Cllr R Dudman, seconded by Cllr J Crow.

RESOLVED: To proceed with replacing the shelter with a similar wooden design, including a seat. Subject to Planning.

It was also agreed that the Chairman and the Clerk would be delegated to progress the project to completion. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr R Bryan.

RESOLVED: That the Chairman and the Clerk are delegated to progress the project to completion.

- 172. Bin for green shelter** – Following the recent cleaning request have been repeated for a bin by the shelter at the end of Oaks Drive. The Clerk reported that a bin on a pole with lid will cost £150 plus cost and emptying cost per annum. This was discussed it was agreed (by 7 in favour 1 against) to proceed with the purchase. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Warman.

RESOLVED: To proceed with purchasing and installing a bin as discussed at a cost of £150+VAT.

- 173. Car Park Issues** – The Clerk reported that there had been some verbal concerns raised over access to the car park whilst using the Braeside Recreation Ground. Nothing had been received in writing. Members present had no knowledge of this and had no issue with people parking in the car park whilst using the site facilities.

174. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting 6th October 2010
2. Cllr Dyer: Problem with delivery of the EDDC news were reported particularly with the South side of the A31. Members were asked to watch out for their edition
Bowls intend to cut the hedge in mid September against the Tree Officers advice, this has been brought to the Bowls Club attention.
3. Cllr Mrs Smith reported a letter received from Mrs Packham offering a £1,000 towards a lasting tribute to Cllr M Packham, deceased. Something in connection with health and exercise for older people has been suggested. The Clerk was asked to start the planning and funding application process.
4. Cllr Dudman sent his apologies for the next meeting.
5. Cllr Mrs Warman reported that Tudor had plans and lists of the Parish to aid deliveries
6. Cllr Mrs Warman reminded Members of the fun day on 4th September. Hog roast tickets were a sell out. Mrs Warman thanked the Clerk for the donation of a cake. The activities are being well supported and will cease at 4pm. They will be followed by the hog roast and barn dance, finishing at around 9.30pm.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.

Chairman