

Amenities Committee Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm on the 2nd May, 2012
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr M Dyer, Chairman

Cllr R Bryan

Cllr R Dudman

Cllr B Goringe

Cllr M Hockley

Cllr C House

Cllr Mrs J House

Cllr A Warman

In attendance: Mrs A Jacobs, Clerk, and Cllr R Warman observing

Public Forum: None

Steve Davies, Senior Ranger, Avon Heath Country Park - Updated Members on work at the Park and plans to introduce a Nature Nursery school, alterations and refurbishment of the toilet block. Income generation will be vital in future. Visitor numbers have been steadily increasing this year to date an increase of 35% however great care is taken on monitoring with counters on every gate as the priority of the park is conservation of the sensitive Heathland. The laybys in Wattons Lane have been removed and it is hoped to fence off the Avon Heath land for cattle grazing. The car park is now locked overnight. These measures have reduced the antisocial behaviour taking place.

610. Declarations of Interest:- None

611. Apologies: Cllr J Crow and Cllr Willetts

612. Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting the Minutes of the meeting held on 4th April 2012, page 105 were agreed, unanimously, as a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House.

613. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

1. Min. Tree work completed – Cllr Bryan and Cllr Dyer inspected sites following the work and have confirmed work carried out satisfactorily. The Lengthman will now begin the process of cutting ivy from trees on all sites.

614. Correspondence:

1. Email from residents thanking the Council for the tree work carried out at Jubilee Copse.
2. Road sweeping schedule to noted

615. Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

- i) The report on the play area was noted.
- ii) The Clerk reported that boundary markers needed along boundary backing onto properties in Lions Lane. This was as a result of the original fencing beginning to breakdown in places. This was discussed and agreed unanimously. The Lengthman will be asked to install. Proposed by Cllr Mrs J Hous, seconded by Cllr B Goringe.

RESOLVED: The Clerk will arrange for the Lengthman to install boundary markers along the Lions Lane boundary.

616. Lengthsman

Work carried out: Litter collection, pavement sweeping St Ives Park; removed long bolts on high netting; Scouts compound tidying; sign cleaning; cleaned steps at St Ives Park footpath 19; flytipping removed.

617. Dog Warden Report – Noted within the monthly report were weekly checks to St Leonards Way and Shelley Close in addition following complaints about Post Office Lane and Sandy Lane patrols were also made in those areas.

618. Yellow lines for Ringwood Service Road – DCC have been informed of the bus route changes from 3rd June which will result in the bus using this road. We still await news from Mr Jowsey who has promised to review the programme of work for the Parish.

619. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting 6th June 2012
2. Cllr Mrs Warman reported that EDDC Officer Mike Stilton had personally visited the 110 Lions Lane flats to check on the development and has reported that he is satisfied that it is being built to the approved plans.

Chairman