

**St Leonards & St Ives Parish Council
Amenities Committee Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00pm on 5th June 2013
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr B Goringe Chairman

Cllr Mrs J. House	Cllr Mrs A Warman	Cllr R. Dudman
Cllr M. Hockley	Cllr C. House	Cllr M. Dyer

In attendance: Mrs K. Bradbury, Clerk, Cllr M. Dyer and Cllr R Warman observing

Cllr M. Dyer, Chairman of the Council took the chair for the election of the Chairman of the Amenities Committee

26 Election of Chairman of Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2013 – 2014

Cllr B. Goringe was proposed as Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A. Warman seconded by Cllr M.Hockley. There were no other nominations. Agreed Unanimously.

RESOLVED: B. Goringe is duly elected as Chairman of Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2013/2014.

Cllr B. Goringe took the Chair

27 Election of Vice Chairman Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2013 - 2014

Cllr R. Bryan was proposed as Vice Chairman. Proposed by Cllr M. Dyer seconded by Cllr Mrs A.Warman. There were no other nominations Agreed by 6 votes in favour and one abstention.

RESOLVED that Cllr R. Bryan is duly elected Vice-Chairman of the Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2013/2014.

28 Declarations of Interest & Requests for dispensations: None received.

29 Apologies: none received

30 Public speaking - none

31 Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2013 pages 77 & 78, were agreed, as a correct record and signed. Proposed by M. Dyer, seconded by Cllr Mrs. A Warman

32 Matters Arising from the Minutes: None

33 Correspondence

- i. Street naming and numbering: 76 Woolsbridge Road, existing property now renumbered as 1, Gainsborough and the new dwelling as 76, Woolsbridge Road.
- ii. Street naming and numbering: 59A Ashley Drive South now known as Penmarric, 61 Ashley Drive South.
- iii. Street naming and numbering: 66, Oaks Drive now known as 66 and 66A Oaks Drive.

34 Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

The annual report on the play area was noted. A quotation had been received from SD Playgrounds for the work highlighted as needing attention. Cllr B. Goringe and Cllr J. House requested copies of the quote. One item was raised as a moderate risk, the Aerial slide which is reportedly beginning to show signs of rot. SD Playgrounds have been asked to closely monitor and report back.

RECOMMENDED: that Cllr B. Goringe and Cllr Mrs J. House make a site visit and report back with a prioritised list of work for approval by Full Council

35 Dogs: The April and May reports from the Dog Warden were noted. It was reported that as Southern Electricity were replacing old lamp standards with new, the workmen were throwing the dog fouling signs onto the ground and not replacing them on the new standards. The Clerk was requested to contact Southern Electricity.

- 36 Outdoor Gym:** A quotation for a 2 piece bundle with grass mat and sign £3,600 + VAT has been obtained. A donation of £1,000 is held and the Council has already promised to contribute £1,500. The slightly lesser project (i.e. two items instead of three and on grass instead of tigermulch) would mean a further contribution of £1,100. It was agreed that the time spent on putting together grant applications would offset any grant obtained. **RECOMMENDED that the Council pursue the project with further finance from the Council and that a further quotation for similar equipment is obtained.** Cllr Mrs J. House was delegated to work with the Clerk.
- 37 Lengthsman Work:** The Working Party has completed the draft contract a copy of which has been circulated to all members. Terrafirma Maintenance have seen and approved the draft contract. There was one query regarding the authorisation of out-of-hours emergency work. The question of weed control was also raised and it was suggested that a letter be written to Dorset County Council and also that a reminder to householders be posted in the Parish Newsletter reminding householders to control the weeds on their properties.
- I. **RECOMMENDED:** that Terrafirma Maintenance be offered the contract on a four month trial basis.
 - II. **RECOMMENDED:** that out-of-hours emergency work be authorised by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the committee.
- 38 Alleyways in the Parish:** A list of alleyways in the Parish was circulated to all members. These walkways are not on the definitive map and maintenance responsibility is unknown. Enquiries will be made of EDDC and DCC to ascertain who is responsible for maintenance.. Members suggested two other walkways to add to the list: - (1) between Ashley Park and Struan Gardens, an alleyway on the left into the Ashley Park cul-de-sac. (2) An alleyway between Hobbs Park and Pine Drive.
- 39 Website:** Following comments about the website made at the Annual Parish Meeting it was considered that a review of the website was needed to improve the look of the website, bring it up to date and allow the Clerk to access the site and to do her own input. **RECOMMENDED that Cllr R. Adkins and Cllr C. House arrange a meeting with Mr P. Walker to discuss the updating of the website.**
- 40 Exchange of Information:**
- i. Cllr Mrs A. Warman reported that the problems with car parking at the village hall are escalating. The Village Hall is losing bookings because of the irresponsible parking habits of some people.
 - ii. Cllr M. Dyer reported that the neighbour complaining about the boundary fence of the scout hut was Mr Nash of Lions wood. It was reported that the Clerk has written a letter to Mr Nash.
 - iii. Next meeting 2nd October 2013.

7.35pm the meeting closed.

Chairman