

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

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00pm on 4th June 2014
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present: Cllr B Goringe Chairman

Cllr R Bryan	Cllr Mrs J House	Cllr R Dudman
Cllr C House	Cllr Mrs A Warman	Cllr M Dyer

In attendance: Mrs Ann Jacobs, Clerk 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

22. Election of Chairman of Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2014 – 2015

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

RESOLVED: Cllr B Goringe is duly elected as Chairman of Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2014/2015.

Cllr B. Goringe took the Chair

23. Election of Vice Chairman Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2014 - 2015

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 unanimously.

RESOLVED that Cllr R. Bryan is duly elected Vice-Chairman of the Amenities Committee for the Municipal Year 2014/2015.

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

25. Apologies: all present

26. Public speaking - none

27. Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting the Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2014 page 85, were agreed unanimously, as a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr R Bryan, seconded by Cllr Mrs J House.

28. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

29. Correspondence: None

30. Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

- i) Reports on the Play area for April and May were received– minor repairs have been instructed.
- ii) Advice has been sought from our Monthly inspector on a replacement slide. Quotations for replacement to be obtained for the next meeting. Members agreed unanimously to appoint Cllr Mrs House as a project Manager to liaise with the Clerk on obtaining quotations and putting a final project cost and specification to full Council. It was noted that the existing aerial slide was installed in 1993 and had lasted extremely well, there was concern over installing a metal type of slide. Part of the specification will detail depth of timber treatment.

31. Dogs:

- i) The report from the Dog Warden was noted. Cllr Mrs Warman reported an issue with fouling along the footpath between Pine Drive and Hobbs Park the dog warden is monitoring. The Clerk will research new CCTV portable cameras available from Homewatch with a view to possible use.
- ii) Request from EDDC to renew Dog Warden Contract –This was discussed. It was agreed unanimously, to renew the contract. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr J House.
RESOLVED: To renew the existing Dog Warden Contract for 2014/2015 on the same basis.
- iii) A request from the village hall for an additional dog bin where wheelies bins used to be was discussed. Cost approximately £150 supply and install running costs £231.40 per annum to empty. It was agreed that installing an additional bin was too costly. Moving an existing bin if feasible or removing one bin and purchasing a replacement for new location was acceptable as there were two bins close to the Lions Wood

entrance one which was hardly used. It was agreed that the Clerk will see if the bin can be relocated, if not one bin will be disposed of and a new one purchased for approximately £150 + VAT, a new location close to the Village Hall entrance, the exact location to be discussed with the Village Hall. Proposed by Cllr M Dyer, seconded by Cllr C House.

RESOLVED: To relocate a dog bin if feasible, alternatively purchase a replacement bin at a cost of approximately £150+VAT.

Cllr Dyer reported that the DWP were now changing dog bins to larger general litter bins for multiuse. This was discussed. Whilst acceptable for the DWP waste collection service, Members agreed that this might encourage people to use the bins in the play area for both types of litter which would be a hygiene issue, there would also be an issue with the Parish waste collection contractor as dog waste is specialist waste.

32. Replacement patio project – Members agreed the specification. The Clerk will check with the Contractors about the potential for weeds and whether the inclusion of a weed membrane is required under the tarmac or slabs. The Committee delegated Cllr B Goringe as Project Manager to work with the Clerk to obtain quotations and submit the final scheme to full Council for approval. Proposed by Cllr R Bryan, seconded by Cllr C House, agreed unanimously. Ideally the work will be carried out after 6th September, after schools return but prior to Winter.

RESOLVED: Cllr Goringe will project Manage and work with the Clerk to obtain quotations to submit to full Council as per the agreed specification.

33. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting 1st October 2014
2. Cllr Bryan reported noise issues with the gym in Matchams Close the noise begins at 7.30am each morning. Cllr Mrs Warman has contact Environmental Health who have promised to visit the site and monitor the noise. Cllr Mrs Warman will speak to them again and remind them.
3. Cllr Dyer reported that the EDDC Communities meeting reviewed pest control charges from 9th June the cost for rats and mice will be £30 per eradication.
4. Cllr Mrs Warman reminded the Clerk to send overhanging vegetation letters to 34 and 37 The Glade.
5. Cllr Goringe reported that one noticeboard refurbishment has been completed. The board at Hurn Road has been replaced. A second board is under refurbishment. Thanks were given to Cllr Goringe for his efforts.

7.35pm the meeting closed.

Chairman