

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

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00pm on 4th March 2015
In the Committee Room at the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Members Present:, Cllr B Goringe, Chairman

Cllr R Bryan	Cllr Mrs A Warman
Cllr M Dyer	

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

412. Members resolved to suspend standing order 3L - following the amendment to the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, dated 6th August 2014. Proposed by Cllr Mrs A Warman, seconded by Cllr M Dyer. Agreed unanimously.

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

414. Apologies: were received and accepted from Cllr R Dudman; Cllr C House and Cllr Mrs J House

415. Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2014, page 61 was agreed unanimously, as a correct record and signed. Proposed by Cllr Mrs J House, seconded by Cllr C House.

416. Matters Arising from the Minutes: None

417. Correspondence:

1. Street naming and numbering: Greensleeves, Avon Castle Drive will now be known as Greensleeves, Chapel Rise.
2. Street naming and numbering: land rear of 4 Fir Tree Close, will now be known as 4A Fir Tree Close
3. Street naming and numbering: 2 Lions Lane will now be known as 2A Lions Lane

418. Braeside Road and Play Park Area –

- i) Members received the reports on the Play area
- ii) Aerial Slide is underway – Some issues have arisen with the supply of the platform. A purpose built hardwood platform is under construction but will cost no more than agreed. This has caused a delay in completion. Scheduled to be complete on Thursday 12th March.

419. Patio Area – Members discussed a draft policy for hirers of the hall to use the patio which would be managed by the VHMC and allow the Clerk to authorise the hire without it needing Council approval. After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk will consult the Fire Brigade for advice as there was concern about locating the unit outside of a fire exit and also smoke filtering across the Tennis Courts if in use at the time. If this is to proceed then permission could only be given to established groups who supplied evidence of Public liability cover and under very strict terms and conditions. The matter would be deferred to full Council after guidance has been obtained.

Some input from Cllr R Warman, observing was allowed on this item by the Chairman.

420. Dogs: Reports from the Dog Warden were noted. The Clerk reported that the dog bins had been checked at Horton Road as there had been a complaint. The bins were found to be empty and a regular dog walker advised that this was regularly done. A complaint had also been received about two dogs in the childrens play area at Braeside with two men and a child. The complainant had pointed out the signs and they had left the area. Dog Warden advised.

421. Rolling Programme – Members reviewed the draft rolling programme and adjusted the figure for the car park work. The work on the additional paths would be chased up with the Contractor. The company carrying out the new car park work would also be asked to price up the repair work and if within delegated limits this work could be sanctioned by the Clerk. The Committee referred the amended Rolling Programme to Finance.

Some input from Cllr R Warman, observing was allowed on this item by the Chairman.

422. Rights of Way Report – Members to considered the rights of way inspection report from Volunteer Mr P Walker. The Clerk was asked to thank Mr Walker for the clear report. It was also noted by Cllr Bryan that the work on FP21 was well underway and he thought now complete.

423. Exchange of Information:

1. Next meeting 1st April 2015 if sufficient business
2. Cllr Dyer reported that following recent media reports on the DWP deficit, the Director had been suspended pending the result of investigations.
3. Cllr Goringe suggested that a proper high Viz type jacket should be purchased for the volunteer litter picker. Prices will be obtained but Members felt that this could be purchased within the delegated limits of the Clerk.

Meeting ended at 7.40pm.

Chairman