

HYTHE AND DIBDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Amenities Committee
held at The Grove, St John's Street, Hythe
on Monday 9 February 2009 at 8.05 pm.

Members: * Mrs M McLean (Chairman) – in the Chair

*Mr J Bennett	oMr D Smith
*Mr R Guy	*Mr B Uglow
*Mr G Jones	*Mr A Wade
*Mr M Short	*Mr M Wade

* Indicates attendance
o Indicates apologies for absence

In attendance: Mr S Spencer (Deputy Clerk to the Council)
Mrs C Patterson (Minute Clerk)
Mr M Kendall (Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor)

413/08 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 5 January 2009, having been circulated, were taken as read and signed by the Chairman.

414/08 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

415/08 **Public Participation Period**

There were no members of the public present.

416/08 **Notification of any other urgent business to be raised at the end of the meeting**

Members advised the Chairman of those matters which they wished to be raised at the end of the meeting.

417/08 **Vandalism Report to 12 December 2008 – 23 January 2009 – To receive and note the Report**

Consideration was given to the Vandalism Report for the period 12 December 2008 – 23 January 2009.

Concern was expressed at the number of times the lifebuoy had been damaged at Beechwood Pond.

It was agreed that the type of lifebuoy currently used is the best available at this time with respect to vandalism but to continue to monitor the matter.

RESOLVED

That the Vandalism Report be noted.

418/08 **Clayfields Sports Centre – To receive an update and to consider the proposed Booking Conditions to be implemented from 1 April 2009 (Minute No. 160/08) refers**

To receive an update

An update regarding the forthcoming change of management responsibilities was noted.

Consider and agree the proposed Booking Conditions

Consideration was given to the proposed Booking Conditions.

The Deputy Clerk advised that further discussions with New Forest District Council regarding the condition of the building are planned. The Deputy Clerk also informed members that advice will be taken from Sports Ground Consultants on how to maximise the potential at Clayfields Sports Centre and the results will be brought back to a future meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED

That the proposed Booking Conditions be agreed.

419/08 **Cosworth Drive Local Park – to receive an update on the community feedback presentations (Min 287/08 refers)**

Consideration was given to the update on Cosworth Drive Local Park.

RESOLVED

That the update on Cosworth Drive Local Park be noted.

420/08 **Proposed Partnership working with the National Probation Service – To discuss and agree a way forward**

Consideration was given to the proposal that the National Probation Service work with this Council on projects within the Parish starting with the repainting of Forest Front Skate Park and Toddler Area.

Some concern was expressed that if the standard of work was not of the usual standard extra cost may be incurred in doing it again and that adequate supervision should be provided.

It was decided that these points should be agreed between the National Probation Service and the Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor.

RESOLVED

That the partnership working with the National Probation Service should commence with the Forest Front Skate Park and Toddler Area project subject to the agreement of conditions with the Maintenance and Facilities Supervisor.

421/08 **Sadlers Lane**

A member advised the Committee that the steps along Sadlers Lane are difficult to negotiate due to overgrown vegetation.

It was agreed to report the matter.

422/08 **Whitewater Rise**

A member advised the Committee that the road surface on Whitewater Rise is still in a poor state of repair and no improvements have been made in the past 6 months.

Members felt that there are other areas in the Parish with similar problems and it was agreed that the Deputy Clerk should be advised of any problems areas which could then be forwarded to Highways Division.

423/08 **Noticeboard**

Members were advised that the noticeboard which is presently situated at the former Dibden Purlieu Post Office is to be moved to Clayfields Sports Centre.

424/08 **Tree replanting**

Members were advised that the first phase of the tree planting scheme will be held at Hythe Primary School on 3 March 2009 between 9am – 1pm. Members were invited to attend. Other events are planned with Wildground Junior, Orchard and Oak Lodge Schools.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm

Chairman

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