

**MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2004  
IN THE SPORTS PAVILION, DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD, CROSSWAYS AT 7PM**

Present: Cllr Bryant, Cllr Stenning, Cllr Chubb, Cllr Manuel, Cllr Dullaway, Cllr Peacocke and Cllr Crowe

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** There were no members of the public present.

**GENERAL AGENDA**

**ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Apologies were received from Cllr Brewer and Cllr Connor.

**ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** In accordance with the Code of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and the nature of any personal or personal prejudicial interests in the following three agendas as defined in the Code and to indicate the action they will be taking when the item is considered.

Cllr Manuel declared prejudicial interest in Item 8 of the Amenities Agenda and declared that he would take no part in this item and would not vote.

**ITEM 3 CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2004** Confirmed.

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**AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

Chair: Cllr E Stenning

**ITEM 1 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN** Cllr Chubb proposed that Cllr Stenning be re-elected to the post of Chairman, this proposal was seconded by Cllr Dullaway and unanimously agreed.

**ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (10<sup>th</sup> MAY 2004)** The Minutes of the previous meeting ratified at full council 27<sup>th</sup> May 2004 were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

**ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** There were no matters arising

**ITEM 4 CLLR STENNING'S REPORT** Cllr Stenning reported that the bench table at Paul's Way play area had been vandalised beyond repair and asked that Steve Manual be asked to remove. It was agreed that this would be reported to the Police. It was agreed that this bench would not be replaced. Cllr Stenning reported other cases of vandalism and it was agreed that these cases of vandalism be reported in the Bridge and residents informed of the cost to them of these actions in an attempt to increase vigilance. Cllr Stenning further reported that two local football teams would be playing on the new sportsfield and reported the meeting held with Mr Grygeil. It was agreed that the Parish Council would supply new goal posts.

ACTION: CLERK

**ITEM 5 CORRESPONDENCE** The Clerk reported the following correspondence sent/received during the previous month not covered by agenda:

- a. Invoice to DCC for Grass Cutting Agency
- b. Swift Signs confirmation of order for notices 'clean up after your dog'.
- c. Request to Cllr Brewer re BCV entry.
- d. Return deposit Long Distance Walkers
- e. Letter from Bardon Aggregates funding request to repair dip in Link Road.
- f. Response to Consultation telephone box in Pauls Way

**ITEM 6 UPDATE SPORTS FIELD AND FOOTBALL TEAMS** This item was addressed within the Chair's report.

**ITEM 7 TO CONSIDER RESPONSE IN THE MATTER OF PARTNERSHIP IN THE MATTER OF LITTER COLLECTION** The Committee considered the responses received from WDDC and DCC in which they advised that they were not in a position to consider a partnership. It was agreed to approach Magna Housing to ask what contribution they could make to the collection of the litter in and around the shop.

ACTION : CLERK

**ITEM 8 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE 2% ANNUAL PERCENTAGE RISE FOR THE GRASS CUTTING CONTRACTOR** The Committee agreed to this annual inflationary increase as noted in the contract.

AGREED

**ITEM 9 TO CONSIDER RESPONSE FROM JOHN SIMPSON, DiJON SERVICES IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR PLAY AREAS** The Committee agreed to ask Mr Simpson for a quotation on the basis of a three monthly inspection, following the remedial work quoted for supplying materials and labour.

ACTION: CLERK

**ITEM 10 FORM WORKING PARTY TO TAKE FORWARD PLANS FOR A MUGA (MULTI USE GAMES AREA)** Cllr Bryant informed the Committee that three quotations for a MUGA were now in and this matter now needs to proceed to the next stage and it is proposed to form a working party to do this. Cllrs Dullaway, Bryant, and Stenning agreed to form part of this committee and it was agreed to approach District Cllr Smy. Absent Councillors would be approached and invited to join.

ACTION: CLERK

**ITEM 11 MONTHLY PLAY AREA REPORTS** Cllr Dullaway made her report stating that signage denoting age limitations was missing. The Clerk was instructed to arrange for signs to be installed. Cllr Dullaway also reported that she had received complimentary remarks regarding the play areas; these were gratefully received and noted.

ACTION: CLERK

**ITEM 12 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER MONTHLY BUDGET REPORTS AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE** Approval was given to pay Swift Signs £235.00 and the Litter Collector £90.00

**ITEM 13 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS**

a. The Clerk reported that she had received complaints from residents of Old Farm Way concerning youths using the Youth Club field being abusive and kicking footballs into there rear gardens. A request had also been received proposing moving the seat within this area. The Youth Club will be advised of these problems and asked to act where possible.

ACTION: CLERK

b. Cllr Peacocke informed the meeting that the Crime Prevention Panel were looking for a location to set up a marquee to undertake marking of property to enable item to be traced in event of them being stolen. It was suggested that the Pavilion may be suitable for this undertaking.

ACTION: CLLR PEACOCKE

c. Problems with overgrown hedges were reported. The Clerk was instructed to write about this problem within in the Bridge report and where necessary write to home owners.

ACTION: CLERK

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.45pm

Signed ..... (Chairman) ..... 2004