

Wendover Parish Council

Minutes of the Amenities Committee

Held on 19 May, 2009

In The Wendover Library Room at 7.50 pm

Present:- Cllr Myers, Mrs Toft-Hunt, Mrs Hetherington, Thorne, Ballantine and Worth
Clerk: Fiona Lippmann

09/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Mrs Hetherington and Stevens sent their apologies, which were accepted.

09/07 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs Mrs Toft-Hunt and Worth declared a personal interest in Agenda item 7, Allotments.

The Chairman closed the meeting for public participation. One member of the public spoke on renewable energy sources and testing possibilities. One member of the public spoke on trees encroaching boundaries along the Heron Path. The Chairman then reopened the meeting.

09/08 MINUTES

The minutes of the Amenities Committee meetings held on 17 March and 5 May 2009, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

09/09 LONDON ROAD

The Clerk reported that BCC were now in regular contact regarding the planning process for the crossing. The Clerk would continue to pursue a speedy outcome. A project definition document would be requested, which would detail scope, timeline, budget and contacts in line with professional project techniques and quality process to be employed.

09/10 HAMPDEN MEADOW

The Wendover Scouts would be holding their Annual Meeting on the Hampden Meadow.

09/11 FISHING

An offer of volunteer bailiff was discussed in detail. It was agreed to accept the offer. The bailiff would be asked to schedule his visits and report such to the Clock Tower. The local police would be made aware.

09/12 ALLOTMENTS

London Road - A spate of petty thefts had been reported. The police were aware.

Parish Piece - At the time of the meeting, 6 plots, of 39, had not been taken up yet. A grant from the Wendover Community Trust had been received for the purchase of water troughs.

It was noted that the two allotment societies were liaising for help and advice.

09/13 TREES

a. It was noted that 11 horse chestnut trees were in blossom. They would be inspected for signs of canker. If bacterial canker was present it was agreed that the Clerk would ask for trials for a remedy be done on a maximum of 3 trees. A sum would be invested in these trials to a maximum of £600.

b. The creation of a visual record of trees on the Parish Council's land was discussed. This would be put together by a working group, Cllr Myers to lead.

09/14 MARKETS

A policy on market competition was discussed in detail. The Committee agreed that the Parish Council is aware of UK and EC Competition Law and will abide by it's dictates. The policy wording would be formulated for agreement by full Council.

09/15 WORKING GROUPS

Footpath - Path 24 was under consultation to be diverted. Cllr Thorne would investigate and comment. Path 1 had been cleared.

Highways - Cllr Mrs Toft-Hunt volunteered to join.

Bus Shelter - The Clerk would chase updated specifications.

Trees on Manor Waste - the working group would report into this committee.

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09/16 MATTERS OF REPORT (for information only)

- Inconsiderate parking in Perry Street had led to an emergency vehicle being stuck there for 15 minutes.
- Rope Walk Meadow had been strimmed around the edges.
- The water was still running over the Heron Path
- British Waterways had still not mended the fencing
- Training was being offered for playground inspections

09/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

No date was decided upon

09/18 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20 pm.

Signed _____

Date: _____