

GREAT LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee, held on Tuesday 14th February 2006 at the Parish Office.

1. **PRESENT.**

Councillors Allum [Chair] Stabler, Tripp, M Williamson, Byfield, Perrott and S Williams

2. **APOLOGIES.** Received from Councillors Wright and A Williams and B. Stabler.

3. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS.** None

4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes were read and it was proposed by Cllr: Stabler and seconded by Cllr: Byfield that the minutes of the meeting held on 10th January were signed as a true record.

5. **MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- a. Item 9 Cllr: Perrott said fencing to Giffard Gate plots is being repaired.
- b. Item 10a fly posting on bus shelters and road signs to V10 removed.
- c. Item 10d graffiti to bridges and other places is being removed by MKC contractors this week
- d. Item 10e the boat and 4x4 at 78 Hainault Avenue has been moved and the owner warned of action that could be taken under the Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Act 2005.
- e. Item 10f the TV Police pavement parking letter proving to be effective.
- f. Item 13 flooded path reported to Parks Trust. Cllr Perrott said it was still flooding. *ACTION Cllr: Stabler*

6. **LORRINER PLACE**

The meeting agreed that Cllr: Allum should meet with Peter Smettem and the Officer dealing with the site to arrange for the land to be transferred to the Parish Council by 31st March and for MKC to clear the site before handover, without cost to the Parish Council. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*

7. **DOWNS BARN SPORTS FACILITY**

No work done to replace fencing to courts, lighting repairs of security lighting for which MKC had made a capital bid for a 2006/07 budget. Fencing could be similar to that used at Conniburrow and Gt: Linford School. Cllr: Allum asked to meet with MKC to find out what is happening. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*

8. **MARSH DRIVE SPORTS FACILITY**

- a. Cllr: Allum reported a manhole cover was removed from the cricket pitch area. Cllr: Tripp said he believed it to be near the play area adjacent the canal. MKC to be informed. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*
- b. Cllr Stabler said he would check the lease to see if the Parish Council had a responsibility to paint the inside or outside of the pavilion this year. *ACTION Cllr: Stabler.*
- c. Cllr: Williamson outlined the changes in the leasing of the football pitches for the 2006/07 season. Tesco's teams had disbanded and the

Parish may lose the expected Tesco income for the remainder of this season 2005/06. It had been suggested that Great Linford Football Club [GLFC] could use the pitches next season -2 adult and 2 junior teams. GLFC would pay in advance for the facilities and would work with the Parish Council and Sports Ground Services, to make the best use of the facilities. The meeting agreed that Cllr Allum would write to GLFC confirming that they can use the pitches for the 2006/07 season at the approved charges. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*

- d. It was also agreed that a schedule of match fixtures for 2006/07 would be prepared in collaboration with GLFC and Sports Ground Services. *ACTION Cllr: Allum. Great Linford Football Club, Sports Ground Services.*
- e. It was noted that some confusion has arisen about the use of the cricket pitches for the 2006 season. It was agreed to defer this matter to the Parish Council meeting on the 21st February *ACTION PC agenda 21st February*

9. **HIGH STREET FACILITY**

It was noted that one estimate had been received for re-thatching the barn and at least two others would be required. The estimated provided could be used as a schedule of work against which a quotation could be given. Thatching Contractors are listed in Yellow Pages. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*

10. **ALLOTMENTS**

- a. The Discrimination Conciliation Service had been informed that Cllr's: Tripp and Morsley would deal with the Discrimination claim.
- b. It was proposed by Cllr: Perrott seconded by Cllr Trip and agreed by all that a key for each allotment main gate should be kept in the Parish Office. *ACTION M Lane.*
- c. It was agreed that in the absence of the Parish Manager the Allotment Association meetings scheduled for 7:30pm of the 4th Tuesday in the month should be held under the Chairmanship of Cllr: Perrott. Allotment representative to be notified of the meeting on the 28th February and an ad hoc agenda will be used. *ACTION Cllr: Perrott.*
- d. It was agreed that the tyres would be moved to the car park area and Cllr: Allum would arrange for disposal by MKC. *ACTION Cllr's: Stabler & Allum*

11. **LOCAL CENTRES**

The meeting noted Cllr Tripp list of recent happenings in Giffard Park. Break in and theft of projector equipment, fires in playground, broken windows and damage to roof ariel at the school. Unsavoury sexual activity in cars outside the shop on a Sunday. Dumped Citizen Newspapers in Blakelands Green Park area. Police operation, crackdown and arrest of youths in the parish.

12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The meeting noted that no report had yet been received from MK Lions to whom we had donated £500.

13. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday March 14th 2006

The Meeting closed at 20:50