

Great Linford Parish Council

Great Locality - Proud Community

Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee, held on Tuesday 12th February 2008, at the Parish Office, Neath Hill.

PRESENT: Cllr Allum (Chair), Cllr Stabler, Cllr Byfield, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Williams, Cllr Ellis, Cllr Loftus, Cllr Brockwell.

1. APOLOGIES: Cllr Morsley, Cllr Connor.

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS INTERESTS: There were no interests declared.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: It was proposed by Cllr Byfield and seconded by Cllr Williams that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2008 be signed as a true record.

4. MATTERS ARISING: There were no matters arising.

5. REQUEST FOR DOG BINS WILLEN PARK & GREAT LINFORD: A complaint has been received from a Willen Park resident about the lack of dog bins in their area. Lovat Fields have asked the Parish Council to install a bin close to the entrance of the complex. They are willing to meet the cost of the installation, also the emptying of the bin. It was agreed that once payment for the bin, installation and first years emptying were received, then a bin would be installed. It was further agreed that bins would be installed at Middleton, Great Linford and Hammond Crescent , Willen Park.

6. ADDITIONAL BUS SHELTER-ST LEGER DRIVE: Request for a shelter or seat between Sandy Close and Church Lees. Milton Keynes Council have agreed to install one new shelter in St Leger Drive in the next financial year, but there has been a previous request for one near to the school. It was agreed that subject to the approval of Milton Keynes Council, the new shelter would be outside the school and a seat at a cost of £225 plus installation, would be installed between Sandy Close and Church Lees.

7. DAMAGED NOTICE BOARDS: The board at Linford Local Centre has been damaged beyond repair, the boards at Giffard Park and Downs Barn are also damaged. For the time being, further investigations will be made as to whether a new board could be put on the Co-op building (as at Neath Hill).

8. APPLICATION FOR VARIATION OF LICENCE AT CHURCH HOUSE

HOTEL-GIFFARD PARK: Application to extend the current hours when alcohol can be supplied to non-residents from the existing 6pm to midnight, to 10.00am to midnight. Also application to allow hot food sales currently 11pm to 11.30pm. There are no objections.

9. SPORTS FACILITIES:

Marsh Drive Car Park: Civil Engineers were at the facility on Saturday, with a remit from MKC to advise and cost various ways of extending the parking facilities.

Marsh Drive Pavilion: Wall mounted heater in the kitchen area has expired and a new one has now been fitted.

10. ALLOTMENTS:

Public Liability Insurance: The premium for public Liability Insurance only, is £190 for 2million cover. It was agreed that this would be paid for by the Parish Council and then divided equally between the plots and added to the annual invoice.

11. ESTATES:

Future of Sport in Milton Keynes: Cllrs Brockwell, Allum and Williams had recently attended an interesting seminar where their views had been sought on this subject. The next consultation will be with the Youth in Milton Keynes.

Conniburrow Pond: The refurbishment was now well under way, Cllr Byfield feels there will be a need for litter bins when the area is finished, however there is a problem as Milton Keynes Council will not empty new bins.

Hills Close-Great Linford: A lot of work has now been carried out on the shrubbery areas, most residents are very happy with the results.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 11th March 2008 at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm