

Great Linford Parish Council

Great Locality - Proud Community

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on Tuesday 10th June 2008 at 7:30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present: Cllr Allum (Chair), Cllr Stabler, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Byfield, Cllr Williams, Cllr Ellis, Cllr Connor, Cllr Brockwell Cllr Teesdale

Cllr Allum was proposed for the Chair by Cllr Tripp, this was seconded by Cllr Stabler and all agreed.

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Loftus and Cllr Rose
2. **Declarations of members interests** - no declarations made
3. **Minutes of the last meeting**- it was proposed by Cllr Byfield and seconded by Cllr Stabler that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 13th May 2008 be signed as a true record.
4. **Matters arising** - Cllr Teesdale agreed to approach the Council re social care and support for this man.
5. **Play areas** – Phil Snell came to discuss play areas in the Parish.
 - a. Phil Snell has previously, requested that the barriers in Blakelands are replaced, he will discuss again, with the highways department
 - b. Serjeants Green is being reviewed and some new equipment has been set aside. Ideally it will be in place before the summer holidays. Phil has asked Peter Bow to review the landscaping in the area.
 - c. Giffard Park, Phil expressed a desire to get a combined management team to develop this area and maybe try to achieve the green flag award.
 - d. Pennyland , ideally the local youth groups should be involved in developing this area . Phil will contact Fiona Kirsh to see how this could be encouraged. Cllr Brockwell was happy to discuss with the Youth workers. Grants maybe available through various groups e.g. WREN, youth bank
6. **Downs Barn Sports Facility** – Julie Formella has passed our request to the council contractors, the Parish Manager will follow this up. Cllr Connor asked about reviewing the possibilities of extending the facilities to encourage

greater use.

7. Marsh Drive Sports Facility – Cllr Stabler explained that progress was being made and that the proposal is currently in the design phase.

8. High Street Sports Facility – nothing to report

9. Allotments

a. Cllr Stabler proposed that Cllr Williams was the Parish Council representative for the Allotment Association and that Cllr Ellis was the substitute. Cllr Byfield seconded. All agreed. The Cllrs would be responsible for communicate issues information to and from the Recreation meeting. The Parish Manager would still be responsible for the day to day issues.

b. Cllr Ellis raised the request from the allotment holders about keeping chickens. Cllr Ellis will investigate as will the Parish Manager.

c. Gates, to date the Parish Manager has received one quote another two are being sort.

10. Estates

a. Cllr Teesdale explained about the community orchard idea for Lornier Place. Discussions about the use of the land resulted in the following actions required

i. Identify the ownership of all the land, identify the services on the land

ii. Set up a meeting with third parties to discuss their support

b. Cllr Connor was asked to find out if there was a problem with the shed that the Parish had provided for the Downs Barn Dragonflies.

11. Date of the next meeting is Tuesday 8th July 2008 at **7:45pm**

The meeting closed at 9:08pm

Signed

Date