

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on the **8<sup>th</sup> June 2010** at 7:30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

**Present;** Cllr McMillan (Chair), Cllr Tripp, Cllr Akinbusoye, Cllr Fitchett, Francis Grant (Allotment Association),

1. **Apologies** Cllr Foskett (absent ) Cllr Stabler (holiday) Cllr Allum (absent) Cllr Sim (holiday)
2. **Declaration of members interests** – none
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2010** were agreed as a true record; this was proposed by Cllr Tripp and seconded by Cllr Fitchett all agreed.
4. **Public Question time** –none present
5. **Matters arising** – PM was asked to chase British waterways for schedule of bridge repairs
6. **Allotments**

- a. Francis Grant provided an update from the Allotment Association
  - i. Constitution is being worked on, aim would be for a draft in July.
  - ii. Gifford gate – problem with water flow PM to speak with RJS
  - iii. Slow progress with Terms and conditions frustration for both GLPC and AA PM is aiming for draft for July's meeting
  - iv. FG requested leaflets about the GLPC to share with people at the waterside festival
  - v. PM confirmed allotment visits to be at the end of month, letters to go out within 3 working days of the visit. Schedule will then be sent to AA. FG would discuss with AA the idea of putting Rep details on letter.
- b. Sandy Close – PM advised that the letter for water connection permission has still not been received and that sources for top soil are still being sort.
- c. Disabled beds – it was proposed by Cllr Tripp and seconded by Cllr Fitchett that two of the three disabled beds be repaired. The Committee should review the long term provision and construction of these beds. Cost maximum £275.00 (budgeted item) All agreed

## 7. Financial implications

- a. Unauthorised items
  - i. Cllr Akinbusoye proposed the acceptance of the expenditure of £383 on the repair of the water heater at Marsh Drive. This was seconded by Cllr Fitchett and agreed by all
  - ii. Cllr Akinbusoye proposed the acceptance of the expenditure of £97.55 for the locks and keys at High Street. This was seconded by Cllr Fitchett and agreed by all
- b. Cllr Fitchett proposed the acceptance of the expenditure of £400 for the Marsh Drive clearance This was seconded by Cllr Tripp and agreed by all
- c. Cllr Tripp proposed the acceptance of the expenditure of £117.80 for the grass cutting contract due to the impact of the trees This was seconded by Cllr Fitchett and agreed by all

## 8. Downs Barn Sports Facility

- a. Cllr Tripp gave an update on the Youth club meeting
- b. Unauthorised use of the pitches needs to be reviewed – PM

## 9. Marsh Drive Sports Facility

- a. Several incidents of unauthorised use has been brought to the PM's attention – this should be reviewed
- b. Cllr Akinbusoye agreed to assist the PM

## 10. High Street Facility - no report

**11. Projects**

**a. Summer Programme**

- i. To date in budget on target with activities
- ii. Communication leaflet is with eagle printers
- iii. Blog to be developed, conditions discussed with Communications group and to be agreed at Full Council
- iv. Cllr Fitchett asked if the blog type environment could be used by the youth team?

**12. Environmental Issues**

- a. None

**13. Items for future discussions –**

- a. Cllr McMillan asked for an update on the Gyosie site
- b. Review of the actions from the visioning plan.

**14. Date of next meeting was agreed as the 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

**15.** Meeting closed at 8:47 pm

**16.** Note minute points are changed from agenda – PM

**Chair** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_