

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on the **12th October 2010** at 7:30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present: Cllr McMillan Cllr Sim, Cllr Stabler, Cllr Tripp. Cllr Cowell, Cllr Gillon.

Also present Elise Thomas, Chair of Allotment Association, Brian Simcox, David Pettingell (members of GLAA) and Angela McGlone.

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Hughes.
2. **Declaration of members interests** – none.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th September 2010** - Cllr McMillan requested item 7 be noted as a presentation provided by Alan Holmes. With this amendment the minutes were agreed as a true record, they were proposed by Cllr Stabler, seconded by Cllr Tripp, all agreed.
4. **Public Question time** – none.
5. **Matters arising** – item 7 £54,687.36 S106 monies has been identified as available for canal side improvements. Cllr McMillan wished to minute that this has come to light due to the work put in by Cllr Stabler. Cllrs are asked to consider ways in which this money can be spent. A walk along the canal side is due to start at 10:15 on 21st October from H5 Portway. Contact Cllr Stabler if you are interested.
6. **Allotments**
 - a. Cllr Foskett proposed that that GLPC facilitate a meeting to be chaired by Karen Kenny from NSALG to create a Leisure Gardeners and Allotment Holders Society for all keen gardeners within the Parish. This is to be pursued after the GLAA's EGM and once a fit between the two aims can be agreed. This was seconded by Cllr Tripp and all agreed.
 - b. Elise Thomas explained that an EGM was to be held on the 2nd Nov. A representative from the Parish would attend. A constitution would be proposed and a new committee and new roles sort. PM stated that a new more reasonable quotes for T&C's had been agreed.
 - c. Update Sandy Close. PM is awaiting clearance from MKC.
7. **Community Orchard** – PM to chase Heather Baker on the grant. Cllr Foskett and PM to determine actions with Cllr Teesdale.
8. **Financial implications** – no implications.
9. **Summer Programme** – presentation on this year's programme Cllr McMillan. A meeting to agree next year's working group and summer programme theme is required.
10. **Great Linford Parish Sports Facilities** – update as relevant Downs Barn, Marsh Drive and High St.

- i. **Downs Barn Lease** – Philip Raines MKC has confirmed that paperwork is with their legal team.
- ii. **Downs Barn feasibility study** – Questionnaire was being developed, Cllrs agreed that a door to door survey and postal questionnaire would be carried out.
- iii. **Downs Barn - Sports for all** – 12 children on the first date, more advertising required, PM to obtain leaflets and pass to Cllrs for delivery.

11. Items for future discussions –

- a. Cllr McMillan requested PM invite Alan Holmes to attend a meeting to discuss the Wharf at Great Linford and Giffard Park pond.
- b. Cllr Foskett asked for a discussion on the landscape depot.
- c. Cllr McMillan asked for a review date for the 2011 Summer project.

12. Date of next meeting was agreed as 9th November 2010.

13. Meeting closed at 9:10pm

Chair _____ Date _____