

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on the **9<sup>th</sup> March 2010** at 7:30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

**Present** ;Cllr Allum (Chair), Cllr Akinbusoye, Cllr Fitchett, Cllr Foskett, Cllr McMillan, Cllr Stabler, Cllr Tripp.

1. **Apologies** Cllr Rose's absence was noted
2. **Declaration of members interests** - none raised
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010** were agreed as a true record; this was proposed by Cllr Foskett and seconded by Cllr Tripp, all agreed.
4. **Public Question time** - no public present.
5. **Matters arising** –
  - a. item 6 a ii the sign has been returned
  - b. PM was asked to invite British Waterways to a meeting to explain the repair schedule
6. **Loriner Orchard** no report
7. **Downs Barn Sports Facility**
  - a. Youth Club –
    - i. All agreed to Cllr Foskett's involvement as another member of the Management committee. Cllr Foskett to circulate proposed dates for the initial meeting.
    - ii. Cllr Akinbusoye proposed the acceptance of the partnership agreement with the typographical amendments, and changes to persons responsible for addressing concerns.
  - b. DB project – PM to progress both feasibility study and the lease agreement.
8. **Marsh Drive Sports Facility** – no report
9. **High Street Facility** - no report
10. **Summer programme**
  - a. Street dance has been dropped and replaced with Bollywood dancing
  - b. The working group are applying for a grant to MKCVO to support elements of Summer programme
  - c. Discussions with Brookward school to start soon, with a view to holding some Play Association sessions in the grounds.

**11. Financial**

- a. Cllr Tunney and Cllr Morris have supported the parish by providing some of their ward budget on providing services and equipment in their wards.

**12. Environmental Issues**

- a. Kate was unavailable.
- b. Cllrs and residents were invited to join in at the Bluebell planting event in Downs Barn Woods 13<sup>th</sup> March, 10am till noon.
- c. Cllrs and residents are welcome to be involved in the opening of the Downhead Park play area opening 9<sup>th</sup> April 2010, between 10:30 and 12 noon.

**13. Allotments**

- a. PM to attend Allotment Law course in April as March one was cancelled
- b. PM reviewing with planning officers if permission is required for the site/fence.

**14. Estates**

- a. Cllr Tripp asked whether the areas in Wedgewood Avenue could be covered by the legislation regarding parking on the verge. PM to review
- b. Cllr McMillan reported that concerns were raised over the Gyosie site and they were taken up with MKC
- c. Cllr Stabler would review the query that electrical points would be situated in Neath Hill

15. Date of the next meeting was agreed as the 13<sup>h</sup> April 2010

16. Meeting closed at 8:37pm

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