

# TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Lands Committee held at Loddon Hall, Twyford on Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May 2004 at 7.45pm.**

Present: - Mr M Stillman, (Chairman), Mrs G Wright, Mrs J Robinson, Messrs D Hymers, R Mantel, K Hogg, B Rogers.

In attendance Clerk: Mr J March.

## **1. Apologies-**

## **2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda-none**

## **3. Minutes of the meeting held on 31st March 2004**

Proposed, Mr D Hymers seconded, Ms G Wright. Agreed unanimously and signed.

## **4. Matters arising and action points**

- 4.1 The Clerk has replied to local residents about bookings for events on Stanlake
- 4.2 The Clerk has placed the order for the two streetlights at Stanlake.
- 4.3 The Clerk has arranged for the Dog Wardens to attend a training course on 7<sup>th</sup> May.
- 4.4 The Clerk to arrange for a parking area to be marked out at Hurst Rd allotments – outstanding.
- 4.5 Mr Stillman to meet allotment holder regarding removal of walnut tree at London Rd allotments. Meeting held quote for work requested.
- 4.6 The Clerk to contact the Horticultural Society regarding running a competition for allotment holders. Meeting held with Mr I Simpson who will discuss proposals with the society members.
- 4.7 The Clerk to obtain quote for clearing overgrown allotments. Site meeting held on 22.04.04 and prices requested.
- 4.8 The Clerk to write to owners of property in Longfield Rd about proposals to tidy up hedge in KGVR. Letters sent with details of proposals.
- 4.9 The Clerk to obtain prices for removal of gate and fence in NW corner of KGVR – outstanding.
- 4.10 The Clerk to write to Ruscombe FC regarding pitch hire fees. Completed and payment made.
- 4.11 The Clerk to contact Twyford and Ruscombe FC regarding outstanding pitch hire fees. Completed and payment made.
- 4.12 The Clerk to put rental agreements on the agenda of the next meeting. Completed.
- 4.13 The Clerk to obtain prices for the additional work associated with CCTV proposals. Site meeting held and quote received.
- 4.14 The Clerk to contact Crowthorne Council regarding skate park. Contact made and details of discussion provided to meeting.
- 4.15 The Clerk to reply to resident regarding goals at Stanlake. Completed. The Clerk was asked to check if ground sockets could be installed in a different location to allow the posts to be relocated.

## **5. Clerk and Village Ranger's report on Parish Lands maintenance including-**

- 5.1 Report on work of the Village Ranger. Up to date on most minor jobs. He is still working through the list of minor works required on Parish street lighting columns. The only major item left is to cut the hedge back by

column 4 in New Rd. He has purchased the paint and will repaint the Youth Shelter when the weather is better.

5.2 Repairs to the children's climbing frame have been completed.

5.3 Vandals have destroyed the bench at Jubilee corner. Discussions were held on whether to replace it and what type of bench to purchase. Agreed the bench will be replaced. The Clerk to notify the Townswoman Guild who supplied the original and ask them what inscription they would like on the new bench. Mr Hymers took catalogues of benches away with him he will make his choice then pass on to other committee members for them to choose.

5.4 The annual safety inspection of the children's play area has been completed and the report received. The Clerk to check what work is required

5.5 Weeds are coming through the new tarmac are in the Wargrave Rd car parking area. The Clerk has written to the contractor regarding taking remedial action.

## **6. Allotments-**

6.1 Waiting for quote from contractor for removal of tree at London Rd and clearing plots at Hurst Rd

## **7. Millennium Garden, Burial Ground Jubilee Corner & War Memorial**

7.1 Report on burials –Joseph Goodwin 30.04.04

7.2 Report on memorials-None

7.3 The Clerk was asked to arrange for bulbs to be planted in the grass around the central bed in the Millennium Garden and for bluebells and primroses to be planted near the boundary.

7.4 The Clerk to arrange for the fixing of the bench adjacent to the bungalows in the Millennium Garden to be checked and for both benches to be treated with preservative

## **8. KGVR**

8.1 The tennis club have requested permission to deliver the temporary pavilion to site by coming along the edge of the western boundary from the Wargrave Rd entrance. Agreed The Clerk to write to the tennis club informing them it can only be carried out during dry weather and that any damage to the surface must be made good. If it is on the football playing surface turf must be used and watered in. They have also asked for confirmation that the Dark Green colour they have chosen to paint it is acceptable. Agreed

8.2 The tennis club have asked if the Council will supply replacement nets for the courts. Agreed. The Clerk to confirm how many are required and the cost.

8.3 There has been another incident of a motorcycle being ridden across KGVR. The Clerk contacted the police who attended site and spoke to the Youths concerned.

8.4 There have been problems caused by persons not controlling their dogs. Agreed the Clerk to arrange for a dog-banned notice to be put on the gates of the children's play area. The Clerk was also requested to check the byelaws for KGVR and put them on the agenda for discussion when more information will be available about the dog fouling enforcement law.

## **9. Stanlake Meadow**

9.1 The Cricket club have requested that the showers at Stanlake be repaired as soon as possible so players can use them this season. The Clerk checked the existing showers and felt that they could be repaired. A visit has been made to site by plumber/electrical contractor. The fault has been diagnosed

and a replacement part is on order. This will be fitted in the near future. The Clerk to advise the cricket club about the current situation.

**10. Rental Agreements** – Deferred to next meeting. The Clerk to circulate copies of existing agreements.

**11. CCTV**

Details of the estimated total installation cost for both the company A and B schemes provided to the meeting. In addition the annual costs for monitoring were detailed. There is a considerable difference in the initial costs of the two schemes due to the additional groundwork required for the B scheme. After a lengthy discussion on the merits and cost of CCTV the following was proposed by Mrs G Wright and seconded by Mrs J Robinson. - To

**RECOMMEND** to the Council to install a CCTV scheme in the Loddon Hall area. Agreed for 5 against 1. It was then proposed by Mr B Rogers and seconded by Mrs G Wright to accept the existing quote from company B. For 2 against 3 abstention 1. Not Carried. The Clerk was asked to find out if company B can reduce their price by changing their scheme to match that of company A.

**12. Skate Park** – Details of proposals from Groundworks handed out to committee members for consideration and discussion at next meeting. E-mail from Chris Bugg WDC regarding the provision of a District skate park copied to committee members. The Clerk to reply stating the Council do not want to commit themselves to anything else as they are considering a project for Twyford.

**13. Correspondence: -**

13.1 Zurich Insurance Health and Safety Seminar –The cost for a delegate is £60. Agreed the Clerk attends at a suitable local venue.

13.2 NPFA Notice of AGM - noted

**14. Date of next meeting - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2004**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20 pm.