

# TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Lands Committee held at Loddon Hall Twyford on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at 7.45pm.

Present: - Mr J Bowley (Chairman), Mr R Mantel, Mr B Rogers, Mrs J Robinson and Mr J Fort from item 8.

In attendance Clerk: Mr J March.

1. **Public Questions** – none.

2. **Apologies** – Mr D Hymers

3. **Declaration of interests in items on the agenda** – none.

4. **Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2007** – proposed Mr B Rogers, seconded Mrs J Robinson – approved unanimously.

5. **Matters arising and action points**

The Clerk to investigate how the surface of the car park at Stanlake Meadow can be cleaned – on going.

The Clerk to arrange for the Ranger to fit temporary fencing and plant hawthorn in the gap in the hedge on the Waltham Rd boundary of Stanlake Meadow. Fencing erected. Hawthorns to be planted in next few days.

The Clerk to obtain quotes for permitted path notices. Estimate obtained for two signs the same size and wording as the existing. Cost £8.25 each plus £15 delivery.

Agreed the Clerk purchases two.

The Clerk to reply to WBC about the Burial Ground. Completed

The Clerk to investigate KGVR Charitable Status further. Details obtained. To be discussed under item 9.2.

The Clerk to arrange a site visit with Mr Bowley to Twycombe Lodge. Carried forward.

The Clerk to arrange for the leak under the bath at Twycombe Loge to be repaired.

Plumber asked to carry out repair.

The Clerk to check if the Scouts request to use KGVR affects football clubs.

Completed.

The Clerk to find out the size of the proposed sign for the tennis club. Waiting for reply from tennis club.

The Clerk to write to Comets football club asking them to make sure they lock the Stanlake Meadow gate securely when they leave. Completed.

6. **Clerk and Village Ranger's report on Parish Lands maintenance including:**

Report on the work of the Village Ranger. All work up to date and everything in good order.

Arrangements are in hand to fix supports to the broken fence posts in the burial ground fence.

7. **Allotments**

7.1 Hurst Rd. There is a waiting list for plots. Agreed committee members to look at the site to see if more space for plots can be cleared. The Clerk to put this on the agenda of the next meeting.

7.2 London Rd. There is a waiting list for plots.

7.3 Pest Control Contract – the contractor has offered to renew at the same price as last year.

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

8.1 Report on Burials – Florence Stroud 26.03.07

8.2 Report on Memorials - M Mundy.

8.3 Sign for Millennium Garden in front of St Mary's Church. A request has been received for a sign to show where the Millennium Garden is located. Agreed the Clerk to speak to the church about a sign at the front of the churchyard in Station Rd and at the start of the path leading to the burial ground.

9. **KGVR**

- 9.1 Skate Park – nothing to report.
- 9.2 Charitable Status. The Clerk has found out more details from the NPFA. Keeping the charitable status provides more protection. Only a simple income and expenditure account has to be submitted. The process is carried out by the submission of a simple declaration to the Charity Commission. The Clerk has obtained the necessary form, which has to be signed by the chairman of the council. Agreed the Clerk arranges for the declaration to be completed and sent off.
- 9.3 Twycombe Lodge Tenancy Agreement. Two of the existing tenants have given notice and are leaving on the 14<sup>th</sup> April. The Clerk is in contact with the managing agents about finding new tenants.
- 9.4 Playground – replacement of roundabout. Quotes obtained as follows:
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| Playground Facilities | £4864.85 |
| Wicksteed             | £6000.00 |
| AES Ltd               | £8986.00 |
| Fawns                 | £8261.85 |
- Details of the equipment discussed. In view of the more substantial construction and the long guarantees offered by Wicksteed proposed by Mrs J Robinson, seconded by Mr B Rogers to **RECOMMEND** to the Full Council to place an order with Wicksteed at a cost of £6000 + VAT. Agreed unanimously.
- 9.5 Floodlit football-training area. The Clerk has contacted Comets and asked them to reseed the area they use for floodlit training as it has become worn during the wet weather.
- 10. Stanlake Meadow** – nothing to report.
- 11. Correspondence** -
- 11.1 Drunken behaviour on KGVR – e-mail has been received from a resident regarding criminal damage to his and neighbour's property by drunken persons coming along Hermitage Drive and down the alley to KGVR. The Clerk has forwarded this message to the police. The police have replied that they are aware of the problem and are patrolling to try to prevent further incidents. Discussed and agreed the Clerk replies to the resident telling him that the council have contacted the police but can take no further action themselves.
- 12. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2007**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.