

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE HELD IN THE RECREATION GROUND ON THURSDAY, 5 APRIL 2007 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT Mr M Rollé (Chairman), Mr G Bisson and Mr P Boyes

Clerk to the Council: Mrs M Weston

APOLOGIES Professor K Barber and Mr D Newport.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.

MINUTES The Minutes for the meeting held on 6 October 2006, having been circulated, were approved as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING None

WORK PROGRESSED TO DATE It was noted that the Probation Service had provided unpaid workers in the community to undertake some work (mainly painting) in the children's play area. Whilst the Parish Council were grateful for work done it was noted that progress had been slow, partly due to inclement weather during the winter months.

WORK REQUIRED (a) Area between Wellands Road and Play Area

The Probation Service had done some work on ditch clearance and undergrowth removal. The ditch clearance had improved the waterlogged area.

**RESOLVED:** As the Clerk had obtained an estimate for work required from Lyndhurst Landscaping they be instructed to carry out the work, namely dealing with tree roots and strimming. This was work that could not be carried out by the unpaid workers. A picnic bench would then be purchased from the Forestry Commission for the sum of £180.00 (plus VAT) which would be positioned either in this area or in the children's play area.

(b) Children's Play Area

**RESOLVED:** That new swing seats (2 bucket seats and 4 straight seats) be purchased from Wicksteed and that the Probation Service continue painting the equipment. A quantity of play bark would then be purchased and Mr Boyes undertook to lay the bark. Estimates for repairing the fencing to the perimeter of the play area would also be obtained. Consideration would be given to the possibility of providing an additional item of equipment.

(c) Boundary Fencing

It was noted that the boundary fencing in the field containing the skateboard ramp was in a deteriorated condition.

**RESOLVED:** To obtain estimates for new fencing to the boundary fence adjacent to Holmfield and to use the chestnut paling fencing on the boundary fence adjacent to the meadow to fill in gaps as necessary.

(d) Skateboard Ramp

**RESOLVED:** To obtain an estimate for necessary repairs to the ramp.

(e) Gravel Track in Wellands Road/Name Board

**RESOLVED:** To put in hand repairs to potholes in the track. The Clerk would ascertain whether it would be possible to place a name board in a prominent position so it could easily be seen from Wellands Road.

ANY OTHER  
BUSINESS

In the absence of any other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_