

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN LYNDHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE ON THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2013 AT 7.15 PM**

**Present:** Mr G Bisson, Mr P Boyes, Mr J Charlesworth, Mr L Cornell, Mrs H Klaassen, Mr M Rollé, Mrs A Trend and Mrs P Wyeth.

**In Attendance:** Mrs M Weston (Clerk to the Council)

**1. Apologies for Absence**

None.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**3. Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 22 October 2012 were approved.

**4. Matters Arising**

**(a) Village Walk Noticeboard**

The Clerk reported that the photographs on this noticeboard had deteriorated still further. HCC had a print of the artwork and Hampshire Print Services had said it might be possible to open up the noticeboard and renew the artwork. Mrs Trend asked if consideration could be given to mentioning Arthur Phillip as the walk passed a monument in the Lyndhurst Park Hotel.

**RESOLVED:** That the Clerk pursue this matter and report back when costings had been obtained.

**(b) Footpath from Silver Street to Blackwater**

It was noted that the footpath had stood up very well to the wet weather conditions experienced during the winter months.

**5. Olympic Torch Signs**

Two signs had been purchased and one was now in place on the outside wall of the school building. Discussion took place regarding the position of the second sign.

**RESOLVED:** That the sign be placed on the outer wall of the Library. Mr Charlesworth would liaise with HCC regarding this matter.

**6. Welcome to Lyndhurst Sign on Southampton Road**

Since the date of the last meeting the possible siting of another sign on Southampton Road had been pursued with HCC and NFDC.

**RESOLVED:** To ask HCC to consider new signage in their next budget.

## **7. School Shelter**

**RESOLVED:** That the possibility of providing a bus shelter outside the school be held in abeyance and the funds allocated for the coming financial year be used elsewhere.

## **8. Rolling Maintenance Programme for Shelters and Seats**

It was noted that all the shelters and seats had been part of a maintenance programme in 2012 and apart from a small amount of painting were now in good order. Mr Cornell said he would keep the shelters clean and undertake small items of remedial work. He would also report back to the Committee if any large items of work became necessary.

It was noted that James Malcom would refurbish the seat at Goose Green. This work would be undertaken at a reduced cost on the understanding that Mr Malcom could engrave his name on the seat.

It was noted that Mr Humphries no longer wished to pay for a seat to be placed in front of Meridien Garage.

## **9. Footpath at Waterloo Arms**

It was noted that the surface of the footpath had been badly eroded due to a car being driven along in wet weather. It might be possible to obtain a grant for the necessary work from the Countryside Access Forum (HCC giving 50%/NFNPA 25%/LPC 25%).

**RESOLVED:** To pursue this matter with a view to renewing the path and putting a small fence and gateway to prevent vehicular access in the future. Householders in Calpé Avenue and Pikes Hill Avenue would be informed of the proposals.

## **10. Great Mead**

### **(a) Seat**

It was reported that two quotations for the work had been received as follows:

Phillip Henley - £1,500.00

Colin Phillips - £2,245.00

It was suggested that a third quotation could be obtained from BSA and Mr Rollé said he would give contact details shortly.

Before the seat was purchased residents living nearest to the proposed siting would be informed.

### **(b) Jubilee Tree**

It was noted that the Jubilee Tree donated by HCC had been very small when it arrived and was not flourishing.

**RESOLVED:** To ask Hampshire County Council if it would be possible for them to supply another tree. If the request was declined the Forestry Commission would be approached but failing this a suitable tree would be purchased.

**(c) Tree Maintenance**

**RESOLVED:** To ask Martin Witney to examine the trees at Great Mead and report back to the Committee, whereupon the necessary work could be undertaken.

**(d) Dog Fouling**

Suitable notices regarding dog fouling would each cost £12.50 + VAT.

**RESOLVED:** To purchase two signs and place them near the dog bins at each end of Great Mead.

**11. Bulbs**

Mrs Trend showed photographs of the bulb planting already in existence around the village.

**RESOLVED:** That Mrs Trend liaise with the Clerk regarding the positioning and amount of bulbs to be planted in the coming financial year.

**12. Any Other Business**

It was noted that the undergrowth alongside the fence from Bank to Swan Green needed to be cut back as did the brambles going into Bank.

**RESOLVED:** To request Hampshire Highways to take remedial action.

A request had been received from a member of the public that dragon's teeth be installed on the right side of the track at Gales Green leading up to the pedestrian entrance into Cranleigh Paddock.

It was noted that remedial action was necessary to dragon's teeth at Goose Green.

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

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_