

**IVER PARISH COUNCIL  
AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

A Meeting of the Amenities Committee was held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2007,  
commencing at 8 pm at Iver Village Hall (Coppins Room).

**MINUTES**

**Present:-** Mrs Lidgate (chaired the meeting), Mr Wilson, Mrs Mowat, , Mr R Gidar, Mr Adlam, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Watkins

**In Attendance:-** Mrs Collins (Clerk)

- 48 Apologies for absence were received from** Mrs Leech, Mr Bradford and Mr Clarke
- 49 Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda** – there were none.
- 50 RESOLVED** to sign the Minutes of previous meetings – 12<sup>th</sup> September 2007
- 51 RESOLVED** to receive, approve and adopt the minutes of the following advisory group meetings:-
- a) **Iver Heath Fields Liaison Group** – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2007
  - b) **Iver Recreation Ground Group** – 31<sup>st</sup> October 2007
  - c) **Iver Heath Sports Association** – 17<sup>th</sup> September 2007 (not yet available)
- 52 RESOLVED** to approve Clerk's report on works carried out under delegated powers from 17<sup>th</sup> August to 30<sup>th</sup> October 2007 (copy appended).
- 53 Other reports from the Clerk:** The following information was NOTED.
- (a) The Clerk reported that she proposed to use Nick Fisher for 2 or 3 days a week to work alongside Chris Sprules and re-advertise the senior post in January. There was only one person still available from the previous second interviews and he had not been a close second to the appointee although he will be invited to re-apply.
  - (b) For National Tree Week Iver Heath Scouts will be planting a small copse and some individual trees at Iver Heath Fields in liaison with IDCA and the Friends of the Fields. It was also noted that horses had been illegally put into Pinewood Fields and escaping into ours. The horses have gone now but Pinewood are going to fence the gaps anyway.
- 54. Maintenance** – it was noted that Nick Fisher had requested a review of his payment and it was agreed that the clerk could offer £1 per hour more whilst he is covering for Chris Campbell.
- 55. Budget Monitoring** – budget for 07/08 was noted and approved. Proposed budget for 08/09 was approved.
- 56. Councillor representation on advisory groups** – to review and confirm representation.
- 57. Rights of Way Improvement Plan Consultation** –Mr Wilson reported that there was no comment to make at this stage.
- 58. New Pavilion Iver Rec** – agreed that whilst Mr Clarke is undertaking research into the background of the project there would be no need for the Clerk to do anything and the project will be reviewed again in January.
- 59. Bus Shelter** – (a) new shelters. It was noted that the shelters have gone up in price and so the Delegated Budget grant from BCC is £400 short. The Parish Council employees are not allowed to do the installation this time as they do not have the correct qualifications and so BCC will do it (total cost is £2000) but they have agreed if the parish council can pay £400 towards the installation then they will do it. Approved £800 total expenditure to get the shelters bought and installed.

**60. Recreation Grounds:**

(i) **Iver Heath** (a) bollard/kerbing in front of tennis court. Bisons still have not delivered. Mr Wilson and Mr Adlam will chase Bisons to get this done. (b) fencing at Birch Close side of the recreation ground. This has now been replaced by the resident. Noted and agreed that some planting should still take place.

(ii) **Iver** (a) noted that Kebbell Homes will begin work on demolition of old changing rooms during November. (b) Noted that works on removal of the old playground and installation of grasscrete and installation of the new play equipment has begun. Agreed that sleepers should be installed along car park edge to protect the hedge. Clerk to obtain quotes and take the cheapest without delay. The clerk also reported a letter from Mr Bull (on behalf of his mother who lives in Dutton Way) expressing concern about the location of the playground in the recreation ground because of noise and disturbance from youths and devaluing of property. The Committee discussed the matter carefully but said that they don't feel that a play area for toddlers and small children should create a nuisance and if it encourages older children to misbehave then it is a police matter.

**Graffiti on private property**—Please give details of location and owner of the equipment/property to Deb Beasley of SBDC.

**Date of Next meeting** – 16<sup>th</sup> January 2008

Meeting ended at 9.35 pm

**CHAIRMAN**