

**IVER PARISH COUNCIL  
AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

A Meeting of the Amenities Committee was held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2010, commencing at 8 pm at the Committee Room, Parish Council Offices, 63 Chequers Orchard, Iver SL0 9NJ

**MINUTES**

**Present:-** Mrs Leech (chaired the meeting), Mr Lidgate, Mrs Mowat, Mr Adlam, Mrs Roberts.

**In Attendance:-** Mrs Moffat (Temporary Clerk), Mrs Gibson (Tree Warden).

**101 Apologies for absence** were received from Mr Wilson, Mr Clark and Mrs Watkins.

**102 Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda** – there were none.

**103 RESOLVED** to sign the Minutes of the previous meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

**104 RESOLVED to receive, approve and adopt the minutes of the following sub committee meeting:-**

(a) Iver Recreation Ground Project Sub Committee – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

**105 Clerk's report** (a) Colne Valley Regional Park: Revisiting the Vision already circulated and councillors to reply individually. (b) Invitation from BALC to enter the Best Kept Village Competition 2010. Entry fee £10. It was agreed to enter the competition.

**106 Resolved to Receive and Approve works carried out under delegated powers.** (1<sup>st</sup> December 2009 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010 attached). Queries were raised about the gas bill at Iver Heath Pavilion and electricity bill at Iver Pavilion as to whether they were higher than normal and where the 8 trees were planted that were recently purchased. The Clerk will investigate.

**107 New Pavilion at Iver Recreation Ground** and Iver Recreation Ground Project Sub Committee – Mrs Leech reported that no further action can be taken until a decision has been made by the FA regarding the quality status of Delaford Colts FC, hopefully by the end of next week. Also a decision will be made later this week by the Planning Authority at SBDC as to whether a new planning application or an extension of the original application is required as the planning approval expires on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2010. Once the information is available another meeting of the sub-committee will be arranged.

**108 Tree Warden** – The grant of £1600 received from the Tree Council for hedging at Iver Heath Fields and at Swan Road land is still available as long as the planting takes place before the end of March. After discussion with Practicality Brown, the land is too wet at Swan Road for heavy machinery to be used at present. However, the land at Iver Heath fields is suitable for planting by using hand tools and, in liaison with Black Park, Mrs Gibson is organizing the planting for the first week in March. Blue Sky has offered the assistance of ex-offending youths but need to check if this is suitable due to the conditions laid down by the Brewery who are helping to fund this project.

**109 Swan Road Land** – (a) The tree survey is completed and waiting to receive the written report. (b) A letter has been received from SA Law's Property Department stating the lease of Swan Road land includes the additional strip of land which is filed with the Land Registry. (c) The report from the Cemetery Development Services concludes the land is suitable for burials. It was agreed that once any tree work needed has been completed and the boundary wall repaired, this Committee will then consider the short term use of the site. Updates will be given at each meeting.

**106 BMX track proposal** – Mrs Leech reported that no further action will be taken until the shortfall in funding is found. The main portion of the funding i.e. £15000, is still available so the new track will be built but at a later date than first surmised.

**107 Iver Heath Recreation Ground** – (a) **Resolved** to inform the residents that the Council is unable to take any further action regarding the state of the wall of these private premises and it is the responsibility of the tenants to put pressure on the landlord and insurance company to do so. (b) Wooden posts with hooks have been installed along the exterior boundary of Mr Sibley's property in order for temporary netting to be erected by the football teams to prevent balls being kicked into his garden. Also the football club has been asked to collect stray balls at the end of the match after first seeking permission from Mr Sibley.

**108. Sports Pavilion, Iver Heath** – **RESOLVED** to organize a private company to clean the changing rooms every monday and the cost of this will be added to the rental of the Football Club. The Clerk will seek quotes.

**109. RESOLVED** not to remove the seat from the bus shelter by the bus stop in Swallow Street.

**110. RESOLVED** to agree to spend £2115 to upgrade the Christmas Lights to a higher specification.

**111. RESOLVED** to allow Delaford Colts FC to use Iver Recreation Ground for its summer tournament on 5/6 and 12/13<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 subject to the insurance and risk assessment being agreed by 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2010, no parking on

the recreation ground and all litter to be picked up and black bags removed. A £200 deposit will be charged for each week-end which is non-returnable if conditions are not met.

**112 RESOLVED** to have an additional Amenities Committee meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

**113 RESOLVED** to allow the Youth Worker to use Iver Recreation Ground during the half term holidays for the mobile climbing wall and community bus (for health information) to be sited.

**114. Press Release** – None to be circulated.

#### **Agenda (Part B) Public Excluded**

**115. RESOLVED** to appoint the contractor for cutting the grass at Iver Heath from the tenders received.

#### **116 ADDITIONAL ITEM FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

To confirm the contractor has been appointed for the repair of the wall at Swan Road.

Meeting closed at 10.37p.m.

Date of Next meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> April 2010

