

**IVER PARISH COUNCIL
AMENITIES COMMITTEE**

A Meeting of the Amenities Committee was held on Wednesday 6th October 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), Mrs Mowat, Mr Lidgate, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Watkins, Mr Adlam and Mr Wilson.

In Attendance:- Ms G Collins (Clerk) and Mrs Moffat (new Clerk) and one member of the public.

47. Apologies for absence were received from There were none.

48. Disclosure of interest in items on the agenda. There were none.

49. Resolved to sign the Minutes of previous meeting 21st July, 2010.

50. Resolved to receive and approve the minutes of the following sub committees and advisory groups:

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| a. Iver Rec Group (advisory) | 22 nd September 2010 |
| b. Iver Heath Sports Association (advisory) | 20 th September 2010 |
| c. Iver Rec Sub Committee | 19 th August 2010 |

It was agreed to bring Item 63 forward to be considered next.

63. Swan Road Land- a) Hedging has been organized and Mrs Gibson will be arranging the planting, b) bore holes have been installed to investigate if the land is suitable for burials and/or burial of ashes. Money is in the budget for next year for the second stage of planning for some type of cemetery, c) The request from Ms Rawlings to keep horses on this land was considered and it was agreed not to allow horse grazing on this land.

51. Clerk's Report – (a) **Iver Heath Recreation Ground** – wall that was knocked down – the residents and the fencing contractors have been put in touch so work on the new wall and fence can be carried out simultaneously. No invoice has yet been received from the fencing contractor. (b) **Bowls Club** – to note that the club wants to extend their building to accommodate an extra changing room. Planning permission will be required and the NPFA will have to be notified as owners of the land. (c) **Tennis Club** – to note that the club wants to put a storage building on the land near the practice wall. This may also need planning permission and notification to the NPFA. (d) **The BMX Club** – to note that the club wants temporary planning permission to install a container in the grounds of the scout hut.

52. Budget Monitoring to 31st August 2010 – report appended for Amenities and Iver Heath Sports and new pavillion and was noted.

53. Budget setting 2011/2012 – The budget as circulated was approved with the following addition to increase the budget by £10,000 (£4,000 for new flooring at Iver Heath Rec and £6,000 for ground work at Swan Road). The budget for the new pavilion will be recommended by Iver Rec Project Group tomorrow as the previous meeting was cancelled.

54. Resolved to Receive and Approve works carried out under delegated powers (1st July to 31st August 2010) (£6,838.83) net

55. Tree Warden Report – Mrs Gibson reported there was an approximately 40% failure rate regarding the hedge planting at Iver Heath fields. However Iver Heath Junior School has been given some trees and Stewart Pomeroy recommends these are planted by the school children to fill in the gaps.

56. St Peter's Closed Churchyard – to note that all private seats have been removed to safe storage and as far as possible owners notified. Two new parish council seats have been installed making three in total. The contract for the bins has been changed from SITA to Enterprise as they are less cost and the bins will be emptied weekly instead of fortnightly.

57. Nature Reserve – a) no information was received about the volunteer day. Louise has now left Groundwork and Stewart Pomeroy is taking her role until somebody else is appointed. (b) Louise has put together a bid for some funding towards the checks of the ponds and grounds. The clerk has submitted this in the name of the new clerk.

58. Swallow Street Bus Shelter – further complaints received from Mr Langley -Noted.

59. Allotments Iver – Mrs Leech, the new clerk and the groundsman visited the site to check the security of the fencing around the allotments. It was agreed that no action is required but will monitor the situation.

60. Allotments Iver Heath – BCC has not been in contact about the lease renewal.

61. Football Club Iver Heath – It was resolved to write to the Club requesting club members not to use abusive language to local residents and users of the recreation ground. Also to ensure no footballer, from the home or away team, trespasses and causes criminal damage on property adjacent to the ground in order to retrieve a football. Notices to this effect will also be put up in the changing rooms of the pavilion as a reminder. If further complaints are received regarding abusive behaviour and criminal damage then the Parish Council will ban the Club from playing for one month in the first instance, a two month ban if it re-occurs and a complete ban if it happens a third time.

62. Iver Heath Recreation ground path – past Bowls Club to Anslow Gardens. A local resident has fallen and broken her arm and the Clerk is arranging for the path to be repaired to the same standard as the rest of the path under her delegated powers in regard to health and safety issues. However the quote received is £3800 which is above the limit of £2,500 which the Clerk can spend on urgent repairs. It was resolved to seek three quotes and it was delegated to the Clerk to choose the best value quote which does not exceed £3,800.

63. Swan Road Land – as above.

64. Memorial bench – The memorial bench has been purchased and it will be installed on 21st October.

65. Boiler – Mr Adlam has inspected the boiler at Iver Heath Pavilion and it does not need replacing. The heating system has 2 very large water cylinders so it was agreed to write to all the users of the pavilion to find out their times of use in order to programme the heating system accordingly to minimise costs.

66. Saxon Court – The clerk is still waiting for the residents to produce the design of the noticeboard.

67. Press Release – No items to be circulated to the press.

Date of Next meeting – 15th December 2010

Meeting ended at 9.52 pm

Signed..... (chairman)

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