

WEST END PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY 2018 AT THE PARISH CENTRE, CHAPEL ROAD, WEST END COMMENCING AT 6.15 PM

PRESENT: Councillors: **D Clarke (Chairman)**
J Asman
R MacDonald
S Turl

In attendance: Mrs L Cooke Parish Clerk
Mr S Mockford Deputy Clerk
Two members of the Public

130/18/REC APOLOGIES

Apologies received and accepted from Councillor Davis. Councillors Bates and Boulton were absent from the meeting.

131/18/REC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare interests in relation to items of business on the agenda.

Councillor Turl is the Chair of Moorgreen Road Residents Association. Councillor Asman's husband is an allotment holder.

132/18/REC MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20TH DECEMBER 2017

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th December were accepted as a true record and signed by The Chairman.

133/18/REC MATTERS ARISING

As previously discussed:

Rights of Way Vegetation Priority Cutting List 2018: Request submitted to Hampshire County Council to cut the following 5 footpaths this year.

- 11B Pathway along the border of West End, Quob lane Cemetery and the M27
- 11A Elm Gardens to Megan Green cut way
- 12 Along Oak Vale
- 505 Woodland Mews
- 15 Moorhill Road to Pine Drive

Deputy Clerk has contacted AC Delco to offer Cutbush Lane facility for their archery club. No response to date.

134/18/REC CORRESPONDENCE

As previously noted; the Chairman has received complaints from residents of Telegraph Road regarding trees encroaching onto the highway and in particular over power cables. Eastleigh Borough Council has replied to the Chairman.

135/18/REC EVENTS FOR 2017/18

The Children's Christmas Pantomime held on Friday 22nd December, 2017 went well.

This years' Christmas Pantomime has been provisionally booked for Friday 14th December at 5pm. Price quoted £725.00 including VAT. Trialling a brand new company 'Touring Pantos'.

Remaining events to be discussed during February's Recreation & Environment Events sub-committee meeting on Wednesday 21st February at 6.15 p.m..

136/18/REC BARNSLAND/HATCH FARM

Community Payback: Work carried out on Tuesday 9th January - Ditch redefinition

EBC Enforcement Officer: Continuing to monitor the Hatch Farm development

137/18/REC HATCH GRANGE / MEGAN GREEN/QUOB GREEN/WEST END COPSE
Hatch Grange

Staff car park to the rear of workshop.

The planning application has been submitted. Additional fee of £90 has been paid, this is for a 'change of use' application fee and with discount is £192.50.

The Clerk has emailed the resident of High Street, West End, regarding unauthorised wire fencing erected on Parish land. A copy of a 1:500 scale boundary map from Land Registry was obtained and sent to the resident, confirming the borders of his property. Update to be provided at February's meeting.

The soak away which runs from the Parish Centre car park to the field next to the play area in Hatch Grange needs to be extended. Currently the soil above the end of the end of the soak away is extremely wet. A local drainage company has suggested extending the end of the soakaway to a discharge point at the edge of the field; this will ensure all water is carried away from the middle of the field to an irrigation ditch. Head Groundsman to obtain quotes for work.

St. James School Association (SJSA):

Email received requesting to hold another Easter Egg Hunt on Hatch Grange. Friends of Hatch Grange have no objection to the event. The committee unanimously agreed for the event to take place. Dates are yet to be confirmed.

Play Area

Replacement parts have been ordered for the Multi-play toddler apparatus, which is currently out of use.

Groundstaff have jet washed the toddlers play area – wet pour and equipment.

SINC Area:

As previously discussed; email received from The Conservation Volunteers (TCV), thanking WEPC for the grant and offering additional work required with the pond project, or to help boost the membership of the Friends of Hatch Grange. FoHG are waiting to hear back from TCV.

Friends of Hatch Grange

As reported at the Full Parish meeting on Wednesday 10th January, 2018 two full work morning have been scheduled:

- Saturday 21st April, 2018 – clearing the stream between Hatch Grange and Megan Green
- Saturday 13th October, 2018 – remove saplings from both cow fields
- Meeting to be arranged with EBC's LAC, the Clerk and Head Groundsman to discuss options for the dying Oak tree on Hatch Grange; possibly include in the Heritage Trail.

Natural England Stewardship Scheme – Nothing new to report.

Megan Green – Nothing new to report.

Wednesday Volunteer Group

Two work days have been scheduled:

- February 21st
- March 28th – both days working in Megan Green

Quob Green – Nothing new to report

West End Copse

- Two separate reports of dangerous branches. Dealt with in house.
- Groundstaff removed two fallen branches from the pathway.

Small Grants Scheme – As previously discussed - application to be submitted to improve the pathways.

Friends of West End Copse – Nothing new to report.

138/18/REC MOORGREEN RECREATION GROUND

Following complaint from resident - footpath adjacent to tennis court issue with flooding and drainage, trying to establish responsibility – ongoing.

Tennis Court: Nothing new to report.

139/18/REC TOWNHILL FARM RECREATION AREAS

Chartwell Green – Play area consultation – Deputy Clerk to apply to the National Lottery (Awards for All) for funding.

A resident of Duddon Close has emailed the Deputy Clerk for an update. The committee commented; if funding is approved they will look at the long term interests of residents when discussing/agreeing the location of the equipment. Councillors to also visit the site.

Chartwell Copse – Nothing new to report.

Upmill Play Area – Existing piece of play equipment damaged – A quote of £19,000 obtained from a play equipment supplier. Deputy Clerk to obtain two more quotes.

140/18/REC WEST END FOOTBALL FACILITY

- Deputy Clerk to review football charges for the season starting 2018/19. Present findings at February's meeting.
- Email received enquiring about pitch hire on Saturday morning for Eastleigh Football Clubs youth women's team for the 2018/19 season and use of the pitches for training on a Monday and Friday evening in the summer months.
- The member of the public commented that a fox had been found poisoned within the grounds of Gregg's School and was aware of a second incident of poison being found by a dog walker; but unsure of the location. The Clerk commented that notices would be put up warning members of the public.

141/18/REC WEST END CEMETERY/BURIAL GROUND

Burial Ground - Strimming and clearing site – ongoing

Email received from Revd. Wharton forwarding correspondence from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission regarding their project to place Commissions sign at burial grounds containing war graves - West End Old Burial Ground contains 7 war graves.

Revd. Wharton ensuring WEPC are happy with the request.

Councillor Turl proposed and Councillor Asman seconded West End Parish Council are happy for the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to place a 'Commission' sign at the Old Burial Ground. The Committee agreed unanimously.

Tree survey completed on the Old Burial Ground/Cemetery/Quob Green/Upmill/Chartwell Copse – awaiting the report from the Arboriculturist.

Cemetery

As previously discussed regarding request to scatter ashes in the cemetery; advice has been taken from the arboriculturist – Head Groundsman to research best type of planting, work/costs involved and record/charging process. To provide update at February's meeting.

142/18/REC ALLOTMENTS

- 4 available plots – 3 full size; 1 half plot
- Currently 2 people on the waiting list; would like specific plots.
- Water supply is back on. WEGAA have been notified.
- No issues with the chickens.
- 2018 allotment inspection dates scheduled:
 - 28th February
 - 18th April
 - 4th July – pre-inspection
 - 30th July

143/18/REC GROUNDS EQUIPMENT

One member of the grounds team to attend hedge cutter training in February.

Cushman and mowers to be serviced this month.

144/18/REC YOUTH CLUB

Youth Club report attached as 'Appendix I' to the minutes.

145/18/REC DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 21st February 2018

The meeting closed at 6.50 pm

**‘APPENDIX I’ TO MINUTES OF THE RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17TH JANUARY 2018**

YoutHouse Report – by Nikki Penny, Youth Leader

The Youth Club has returned from the Christmas break, we are now into our spring programme.

Young people have so far taken part in making fruit kebabs as part of our healthy eating month; we will then be focusing on the Youth Awards for young people; we are aiming for 20 young people from the YoutHouse and 20 young people from Cutbush to take part.

We also have pancake making, valentines card making and a Chinese New Year cooking session and also a half term trip details to be confirmed.

Numbers of young people attending Cutbush have reach 24 so we have now moved the year 7’s up to a Tuesday night.

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