

GREAT LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation & Environment Committee, held on Tuesday 10th January 2006 at the Parish Office.

1. **PRESENT.**

Councillors Allum [Chair] Stabler, Tripp, Morsley, Byfield, Perrott and S Williams

Due to the sudden illness of the Parish Manager the agenda drafted by the Chairman was circulated at the meeting.

Cllr: Morsley explained the background to the Parish Managers absence. The meeting expressed the hope that Jenny would make a speedy and complete recovery.

2. **APOLOGIES.** Received from Councillor Wright

3. **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS.** None

4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes were read and it was proposed by Cllr: Tripp and seconded by Cllr: Perrott that the minutes of the meeting held on 13th December were signed as a true record.

5. **LORRINER PLACE**

The meeting agreed that it was essential that this land should be transferred to the Parish Council to prevent development. The meeting also required Milton Keynes Council should clear the site before handover, without cost to the Parish Council.

6. **DOWN'S BARN SPORTS FACILITY**

Cllr: Allum had met with Tracy Jones of MK Council who has confirmed that DDA work on Downs Barn and Marsh Drive should be completed by the end of April. It was agreed that Cllr: Allum should demand a list of the work being done by MKC, and if necessary remind the Council that GLPC had legal contracts to manage both properties and were therefore entitled to know what was happening. *ACTION Cllr: Allum.*

No progress had been made on the security lighting as the MKC staff member was off sick.

No work had been started on the proposed lift and Councillor's again expressed doubts if the work was absolutely essential for DDA compliance.

7. **MARSH DRIVE SPORTS FACILITY**

Work to be completed by end April.

8. **HIGH STREET FACILITY**

No report made

9. **ALLOTMENTS**

The lock to the Hills Close plots had been completely broken so a new lock and 25 keys had been ordered from Brinnick Locks. These were delivered and issued on Monday to all but 8 plot-holders. Malcolm Lane would telephone other plot-holders asking them to collect keys.

Cllr: Perrott asked if the hole in the fencing to the Giffard Gate plots could be repaired by the Parish Caretaker. *ACTION Malcolm Lane.*

10. **LOCAL CENTRES**

Cllr Tripp reported the following or asked if action could be taken: -

- a. By MKC against fly posting on bus shelters and road signs along the V10 Brickhill Street. *ACTION Cllr: Stabler.*
- b. Unwins off licence has reopened as a Threshers store.
- c. The One Stop shop continues to have beer stolen and Cllr: Tripp has been unable to contact PC Glen Archbold about these problems for several weeks.
- d. Graffiti on a canal bridge [believed to be 78b leading to Grafham Gate Giffard Park] *ACTION Cllr: Stabler.*
- e. A boat and 4x4 parked on the footway outside 78 Hainault Avenue.
- f. It was agreed that a Thames Valley Police letter about pavement parking, which had been used successfully by Cllr: Tripp, should be duplicated and 10 copies sent to all Councillors for use in their ward.
ACTION Malcolm Lane or Parish Manager

11. **NEATH HILL**

Cllr Stabler advised that the MKC Day Centre had been broken into and the Manager was arranging a meeting with other tenants, police and MKC staff to look at ways of overcoming these problems. The parish office may be used for the meeting.

12. **CONNIBURROW**

Cllr's: Williams & Byfield reported much police activity and arrests made of persons involved in driving offences and drugs related problems.

13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr Perrott reported that the canal broad-walk north of the Monks Way road bridge was flooding and asked if the responsible authority [The Parks Trust] could be notified. *ACTION Cllr: Stabler.*

14. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday February 14th 2006

The Meeting closed at 20:30