

Minutes of Recreation and Environment Committee held on the 14th July 2009 at 7.30pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present: Cllr Allum (Chair), Cllr Byfield, Cllr Foskett, Cllr McMillan, Cllr Stabler, Cllr Tripp, Cllr Williams, Cllr Macaulay (observing)

1. **Apologies** Councillors consented to the absence of Cllr Loftus
2. **Declaration of Members' interests** – none declared
3. **Minutes of the last meeting** held on 9th June 2009 were agreed as a true record by Cllr Tripp and seconded by Cllr Stabler, all agreed
4. **Public Question Time** – none
5. **Matters Arising** – (11a) PM to chase Peter Bow re trees in Wedgewood avenue
6. **Summer Programme** –
 - a. Update of expenditure, an additional cost for first aid is expected.
 - b. Cllr Foskett proposed *the payment of a taxi for Councillors assisting with the 2009 summer programme activities who do not have their own transport and where alternative travel arrangements are not available. The agreement is for this project and this year only. This was seconded by Cllr Tripp and agreed by all.*
 - i. It was agreed that M&S group should consider this issue for future projects.
7. **Loriner Orchard** – It was agreed by Cllr Foskett seconded by Cllr Tripp and agreed by all to the payment of £8 for a new lock.
8. **Downs Barn Facility** – no report
9. **Marsh Drive Sports Facility** -
 - a. Cllr Tripp proposed the acceptance of the retrospective payment of £100 for the removal of a damaged tree in Marsh Drive that was dangerous to people using the redway. This was seconded by Cllr Foskett and agreed by all.
10. **High Street Facility** – no report
11. **Playbuilder**
 - a. PM was asked to see how other parishes are consulting with the public
 - b. Chair requested a future update meeting with the play builder team. PM to arrange

12. Environmental issues –

- a. PM to seek understanding of MKC's policy of green bins and HiMO's

13. Chairs Update - nothing to add

14. Allotment Sandy Close

- a. Cllr Tripp proposed the replacement of lock and keys at Neath Hill approx costing £200 for lock and 30 secure keys, this was seconded by Cllr McMillan and agreed by all.
- b. Cllr Foskett proposed the purchase of extra keys for Hills Close (new created plots) £10.00 this was seconded by Cllr Tripp, all agreed.

15. Estates

- a) **Neath Hill** Cllr Stabler requested a letter be sent to MKC and Rapleys regarding the waste on the clock tower
- b) **Willen Park** Cllr McMillan raised residents concerns about parking around a property
- c) **Conniburrow** , Cllr Byfield raised concern over tipping in Coltsfoot Place
- d) Clock Tower at Neath Hill – light out and pigeons still in residence

14. Date of next meeting will be the 8th September 2009

15. Meeting closed at 8:55pm

Date agreed _____ Chair _____