

Minutes of Recreation and Environment Committee held on the **12<sup>th</sup> January 2010** at 7.00pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present: Cllr Macaulay (Chair), Cllr Akinbusoye, Cllr Markley Cllr McMillan, Cllr Rose Cllr Tripp, Cllr Williams, Cllr Wallis, Cllr Pickhaver, Cllr Stabler, Cllr Allum

1. **Councillor Vacancies for Great Linford and Neath Hill** – three candidates were interviewed for the co-opted positions. Cllr Markley proposed that one candidate for the Great Linford ward be co-opted, Cllr Macaulay seconded All agreed.

Cllr Markley , Cllr Wallis and Cllr Pickhaver left the meeting

2. **Apologies** - Councillors consented to the absence of Cllr Byfield (sickness), Cllr Fitchett (family) Cllr Foskett (unavailable)

3. **Declaration of Members' interests** – none declared

4. **Minutes of the last meeting** – held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2009 were agreed as a true record by Cllr Stabler and seconded by Cllr Tripp, all agreed

5. **Public Question Time** – none present

6. **Matters Arising** – none

7. **Loriner Orchard** – no report

8. **Downs Barn Facility** –

a. Youth Club

i. Subject to the following amendments the constitution was proposed by Cllr Stabler and seconded by Cllr Williams. All agreed.

1. Ages should be over 13 years and under 19years

2. The duties of the Treasurer should be the youth club manager or an adult they have designated as responsible. All Financial matters are to be discussed with the RFO.

ii. Representatives from the Parish Council to sit on the youth Club management committee will be sort at the next Full council meeting.

b. Downs Barn Project

i. A conditional grant from the Big Lottery has been award towards the feasibility study of the Downs Barn Facility.

9. **Marsh Drive Sports Facility** – nothing to report.

10. **High Street Facility** – nothing to report

11. **Financial** - nothing to report

**12. Environmental issues –**

- a. Willen Park equipment removed for Health and Safety issues. PM to ask if Play area manage could attend meeting to discuss its replacement and
- b. Downhead Park – in principle the Recreation committee agreed to work with the Playbuilder team to develop a competition for one of the statues in the new park

**13. Chairs Update** - nothing to add

**14. Allotment** - tenders to be made available for agreement at the next meeting

**15. Estates**

- a) **Blakelands and Giffard Park** – Cllr Stabler would discuss this issue at the Highways meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> January.

**15. Date of next meeting will be the 9<sup>th</sup> February 2010**

**16. Meeting closed at 9:00pm**

**Date agreed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chair** \_\_\_\_\_