



## RECREATION COMMITTEE

**Minutes** of an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council Recreation Committee on Thursday 30th September 2010 commencing at 1900 in The Lindos Centre Conference Room Saddlemakers Lane Melton IP12 1PP.

**Present:**

Cllr Mrs BK Abbott  
Cllr Mr GK Butterwick

Cllr Mrs JEJ Eckersley [Chairman]  
Cllr Miss KS Martin

**In Attendance:**

Mrs DE Linsley                      Assistant Clerk to Melton Parish Council  
Jo Robson [until 19:30]  
PCSO Marie Smith [until 19:30]  
David Kemp [until 20:15]

**10.66 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR AND CONSENT TO ABSENCE**

**10.66.01 Cllr Miss E Barrington – Family matters**

Council considered the apology and it was **RESOLVED** to receive the apology and consent to the absence.

**Proposed by: Cllr Martin**

**Seconded by: Cllr Eckersley**

**10.67 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST WITH REGARD TO THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND ADDITIONS TO THE REGISTER**

There were no declarations or additions to the register.

**10.68 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

**10.68.01 To receive representation from Councillors who have declared a prejudicial interest.**

There were no representations from councillors.

**10.68.02 To receive representations from members of the public in respect of items on the agenda only**

**10.68.03 Cycle Route to Farlingaye**

The Chairman welcomed David Kemp to the meeting.

Mr Kemp informed the meeting of a possible change in the route brought about by legal complications regarding crossing Jenners Close. An alternative route would leave the playing field at the western corner on to Melton Road. It would continue past Jenners Close and join the right of way alongside the John Grose garage. To make the new section viable safety improvement including installing a barrier between the traffic leaving the garage and the cycle route would be considered.

The Chairman thanked Mr Kemp for taking the time to attend the meeting.

**It was RESOLVED** to lift standing orders.

- 10.69 OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TALK TO COUNCILLORS**
- 10.69.01 Melton Community Fun Day**  
 The Chairman welcomed Jo Robson and PCSO Marie Smith to the meeting.  
 Jo Robson asked if Melton Parish Council (MPC) would consider allowing the Melton Community Fun Day to take place on the playing fields on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011 from 12:00 until 22:00. The event has grown in size over recent years and requires a bigger venue. The fun day which is supported by the police will include an old fashioned funfair, dog show, bouncy castle, disco and bar. The organisers will have insurance for the event and a licence to sell alcohol. St John's Ambulance will be attending. The event would require access to the electricity supply in the pavilion. MPC could have a stand at the event. PC Smith could not guarantee community policing presence on the day.  
 The Chairman thanked Jo Robson and PC Smith for attending the meeting. The matter will be placed on the next Full Council Meeting agenda (14<sup>th</sup> October) for discussion.
- It was RESOLVED** to reinstate standing orders.
- 10.70 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE.**  
**It was RESOLVED** that, the minutes REC(10)M04 previously circulated be received and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.  
**Proposed by:** Cllr Martin **Seconded by:** Cllr Abbott
- 10.71 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CLERK ON THE PROGRESS MADE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES AFFECTING THE RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
 Paper REC(10)P71 previously circulated was received and noted.  
 A meeting with Mary George from SCC to discuss the status of footpaths in the parish is to be arranged by the Assistant Clerk.
- 10.72 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON PROGRESS MADE ON THE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR BURKE'S WOOD FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK**  
 No further progress had been made on the management plan for the wood.  
 Simon Cox of SCL Landscape Management had been unable to fell the diseased oak tree by the pond due to wet weather. It was suggested that tape be erected around the tree to keep the public a safe distance from it and that the tree be felled as soon as possible. The Assistance Clerk is to liaise with Mr Cox.  
 A list of tasks that could be undertaken by a young offender including litter clearance and path maintenance within Burkes Wood has been given to the probation service.
- 10.73 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE REPORT FROM THE PAVILION WORKING GROUP**  
 The Chairman thanked Cllr Martin and Cllr Butterwick for all the work they had put into the Pavilion project. Cllr Martin and Cllr Butterwick agreed to collaborate over their figures in the report for the pavilion.  
 It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that any decision on the pavilion be deferred until after the Comprehensive Spending Review on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010.
- 10.74 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE SAFER CYCLE ROUTE TO FARLINGAYE HIGH SCHOOL**  
 The committee were supportive of the alternative route outlined by David Kemp from SCC during the Open Forum (agenda item 10.68.03)
- 10.75 TO CONSIDER REPLACING WINDOWS IN BREDFIELD ROAD BUS SHELTER**  
**It was RESOLVED** not to replace the windows in the Bredfield bus shelter.  
**Proposed by :** Cllr Eckersley **Seconded by:** Cllr Martin
- 10.76 TO CONSIDER 'NO CYCLING' SIGNS ON RIVERSIDE PATH**  
**It was RESOLVED** not to make any changes to the signing on the river path.  
**Proposed by :** Cllr Abbott **Seconded by :** Cllr Butterwick
- 10.77 TO CONSIDER THE COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO QE2 FIELDS CHALLENGE**  
**It was RESOLVED** that the QE2 Fields Challenge could be raised at the Melton Community Fun Day.  
**Proposed by :** Cllr Martin **Seconded by:** Cllr Butterwick

- 10.78 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON DOG FOULING FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK**  
The dog bin in Leeks Hill Wood will be erected by SCDC by the end of October.
- 10.79 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE PARK WARDEN ABOUT HIS DAILY ACTIVITIES**  
Park Warden's reports for June, July and August were circulated and noted.  
The Committee expressed how grateful they were for all Mr Stebbings' hard work and how much they valued his reports.  
Whether play equipment safety checks should be added to the Park Warden's duties was discussed. Conditions of the insurance covering the play equipment would be checked. The matter would be put on the Finance and Risk Management Committee agenda to be considered.
- 10.80 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ABOUT A CLAIM FOR A FOOTPATH FROM LEEKS HILL TO FERN HILL CLOSE FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK**  
An article in the Melton Messenger regarding the Leeks Hill path generated nineteen responses from local residents detailing how often they used the path. Many of the respondents agreed to complete evidence forms. MPC has received twelve evidence forms.  
SCC has decided not to make the route a priority for action unless circumstances change.  
The Assistant Clerk will contact the owner of the land on which the path lies to request that the path be designated a public right of way.
- 10.81 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE PROGRESS WITH THE BMX TRAIL**  
It was noted that there had been no further progress made on this item.
- 10.82 WOODWOSE OUTDOOR FESTIVAL**  
Information on Burkes Wood will be submitted to the organisers of the event by Cllr Abbott. Cllr Eckersley is to contact SCDC rangers regarding an event starting at the playing fields car park.
- 10.83 TO CONSIDER PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL SIGNS FOR THE PLAYING FIELD**  
A sign already exists for the play area prohibiting dogs.  
**It was RESOLVED** that a laminated sign stating the correct use of the tennis courts be erected.  
**Proposed by: Cllr Eckersley** **Seconded by: Cllr Abbott**
- 10.84 COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S URGENT BUSINESS**  
Speeding issues will be addressed by the Planning Committee.
- 10.85 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at 19:00 in the Lindos Centre Conference Room
- There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21:55

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

[Chairman]