

Sundridge with Ide Hill Parish Council

Minutes of Amenities Committee Meeting Thursday 16 June 2016, 7:00pm, Village Hall, Ide Hill

Present: Cllr Evans Chair of Committee
Cllrs Denbigh, Edmonds and Stokes

Mrs S Codling - Clerk
Mrs Winn

Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllrs Hughes (work) and Jolley (health). Apologies were accepted.

Declarations of interest: Cllr Evans declared an interest in the Darent Project.

1. Minutes of the Meeting, 19 May 2016

The minutes were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

2. Matters arising from the Minutes

None.

3. Public Open Session.

None.

4. Stubbs Wood

a. Charity

Councillors reviewed and approved the charity application. It was agreed to add Cllr Edmonds as a trustee. The Clerk is to advise the Action Group that the charity application is being submitted and who the trustees are. **Action: Clerk**

5. Ide Hill Conveniences – to receive update.

It is anticipated that the final transfer document will be received imminently.

6. Defibrillator – to discuss installation.

- Cllr Evans advised that, subject to Council approval, the defibrillator is to be installed by the entrance to the White Horse pub. A sign is to be put by the traffic lights to state the location. The site is protected from the elements and also protected by security systems which will minimise vandalism opportunities. The Landlord's electrician is to install the defibrillator. No cost for the supply of electricity has been requested.
- Cllr Evans proposed to install the defibrillator at the White Horse pub, seconded by Cllr Stokes. All Councillors voted in favour.
- The Clerk is to organise a location sign. Examples are to be distributed. **Action: Clerk**
- Cllr Edmonds is to advise the installation and location in the village news. **Action: AE**

7. Social Club – to receive update.

The final draft of the lease has been received. The Clerk is to contact the Social Club. **Action: Clerk**

8. To review grass cutting in the parish.

- Cllr Evans declared an interest in this matter as his son completed an emergency grass cut in Ide hill. The emergency cut was approved by 2 Councillors.
- There have not been any problems with grass cutting in Ide Hill until last month. Cllrs Edmonds and Denbigh agreed to meet the contractor. **Action: MD & AE**

9. Sundridge Village Hall – to discuss survey.

- Councillors reviewed the structural survey of the village hall.
- Cllr Evans proposed that, given the likely excessive costs of putting the village hall in a condition that would enable it to meet modern needs and health and safety requirements the parish, therefore, proceeds to investigate alternatives. Cllr Stokes seconded the proposal. All voted in favour.
- Any future long term bookings are to be taken on a 6 week rolling contract.

10. Sundridge Recreation Ground.

- Cllr Stokes distributed a proposal about the options and how the Council deals with the transfer of the Recreation Ground back to Parish Council management.
- Cllr Denbigh has contacted Chipstead Football Club and is organising a meeting.
- It was agreed that the finance is to go to the Clerk.
- Cllr Evans is to ask around Sundridge to see if someone wishes to complete walk arounds of the Recreation Ground for remuneration. The responsibility would be to ensure everything is satisfactory and in working order. **Action: JE**
- The 'warden' would look after day to day items with all decisions referred to the Amenities Committee.
- Bookings and communications are to be via the Clerk. The Clerk will advise the Amenities Committee of all potential bookings.
- Cllr Evans advised that he and Cllr Stokes applied for £8-12,000 via the Tesco Groundwork grant. This is to include, landscaping, wildflowers, tree works, goalposts, extension to car park, improving access and an exercise area. The application has been accepted for inclusion in Tesco in Sevenoaks. The Clerk is to advise Cllr Evans of any correspondence.

11. Notice boards – to receive update.

- A new notice board is to be put up in the bus shelter within the next 2 weeks. Also, the notice board at Goathurst Common is to be put on the wall of the village hall.
- The Clerk is to advise both the school and church that the notice board on Church Road is to be taken down. **Action: Clerk**

12. Darent Project – to receive update.

A member of public has lodged a complaint with the Environment Agency. Louise Smith is liaising. It was noted that the project funded by the Recreation Ground, Parish Council and Big Community Grant has been kept under budget.

13. Urgent Business.

Quotes are to be sought for the Ide Hill bus shelter. There are 20 shingles gone as well as the edging shingles.

Action: Clerk

Cllr Evans left 8.50pm

Quotes were reviewed for treework at Sundridge Recreation Ground and cutting back the hedge at Camberwell Recreation Ground. Councillors approved quotes from Greencut Horticulture (Camberwell Lane) and Birchfield (Sundridge Recreation Ground).

Cllr Evans returned 9.15pm

14. Date of next meeting

14 July 2016.

The meeting closed at 9:20pm.