



SEDBERGH PARISH COUNCIL AMENITIES COMMITTEE

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 6th of September 2016 @ 7.30pm
in the Council Office**

PRESENT:

Councillor Steve Longlands (SL) – Chairman

Simon Arnold (SA), Ian McPherson (IM), Martyn Dawson (MD), Margaret Brooks (MB)

UNABLE TO ATTEND: Roger Sedgwick (RS), John Capstick (JC)

REF	NOTE	ACTION
001/09/16	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE RESOLVED that apologies had been received from JC.	
002/09/16	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RESOLVED it be noted that no member declared any interests on items on the agenda.	
003/09/16	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of Sedbergh Parish Council Amenities Committee held on Wednesday 3rd of August be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chairman.	
004/09/16	MATTERS ARISING NOT ON AGENDA None	
005/09/16	BUDGET Nothing to Report	

006/09/16	<p>PLAYING FIELD</p> <p>Item 006/11/15 (video survey of drains) Phase 2 has been completed.</p> <p>Pipes look clear as far as could be reached by the camera.</p> <p>The existing gravel appears to be well compacted and clogged with soil seepage as there is no membrane above, therefore they are probably only partly efficient in terms of their speed of removal of ground water above the pipe.</p> <p>SRA suggested there were really only 3 routes forward</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Digging out of existing system and replacement with fresh gravel and a membrane 2) Adding spurs to the existing system with the correct back fill 3) Annual 'sand slitting' (not sufficient alone) <p>Item 3 is probably something that should be done as part of annual maintenance if the facility is being used more heavily, but the cost should probably be partly offset by increased charges for the additional team using the pitch (not currently happening).</p> <p>Items 1 and 2 come at a significant cost but are the only realistic solutions to effect long term improvement of the facility.</p>	
007/09/16	<p>RESOLVED SL would feed back to the football club and invite them to the November meeting to discuss any ideas they might have.</p> <p>Hedges still need cutting from a safety point of view.</p>	SL
008/09/16	<p>RESOLVED SL would chase up the contractor</p>	SL
009/09/16	<p>PLAYGROUND</p> <p>Table top in shelter has been burnt. In the absence of a total refurbishment of the shelter SA offered to run the existing top through a planer if SL could deliver it to him</p> <p>Reports of other petty damage in the town over the summer were shared</p>	SL/SA

010/09/16	<p>JOSS LANE CAR PARK</p> <p>Report of wasps around bottle bank – no nest could be found, appears just to be a seasonal attraction to the aroma.</p>	
011/09/16	<p>MAIN STREET TOILETS</p> <p>Heaters for frost prevention still to be installed</p> <p>RESOLVED that SL would action</p> <p>Collection boxes fitted SA still needed to measure the space up for signs (temporary one in place) – would do when next passing.</p> <p>Suggestion the signs relating to the disposal of sanitary items may be required in the ladies after a complaint – to be kept under review</p>	<p>SL</p> <p>SA</p>
012/09/16	<p>LOFTUS HILL CAR PARK</p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	
013/09/16	<p>BENCHES</p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	
014/09/16	<p>BOWLING</p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	
015/09/16	<p>STREET LIGHTS</p> <p>Nothing to Report</p>	
016/09/16	<p>OTHER AMENITIES</p> <p>IM informed the committee Geoff Garret (Yorkshire Dales) was still intending to come but the expanded park meant this had to be fitted in appropriately with his other workload</p>	

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A letter from Gina Barney had been received concerning unauthorised parking on the Peoples Hall carpark.

Whilst there was no quick solution it was felt that the problem was likely to be only a few offenders who would by definition be living relatively local to the facility. It was suggested that as a starting point some improved signage and polite leafleting of surrounding houses would probably be largely effective. SL would also speak to a couple of day time users he knew whose use of the car park historically had been ignored.

Disapproval was expressed for any vigilante adhesion of hard to remove stickers or notices as there would certainly be the possibility of legal recourse by the vehicle owner or their insurance company for any damage caused (or claimed to be caused).

The matter is due to come before the full council in the next meeting anyway therefore it was felt the committee had no further involvement at this stage.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the next scheduled meeting is confirmed as:

Wednesday 5th of October 2016

Meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signature of Chairman

Date