

Chairman: Jim Gillett

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Amenities Committee held on 3rd September 2018

Present:	Adrian Keward (Chair), Jane Hartley and Paul Mundy
<u>Apologies</u> :	Jim Gillett
<u>Absent</u> :	

- 289/18 Open Forum: No residents present.
- 290/18 The Minutes of the Amenities Committee Meeting held on Monday 2nd July 2018 were approved and signed by Adrian Keward (Chair).
- 291/18 <u>Declarations of interest and any written requests for pecuniary interests in items on the</u> agenda to be considered by the Assistant Clerk: None raised.
- 292/18 <u>Usage Reports:</u> The numbers for the village hall are slightly down but bookings are still coming in. The Assistant Clerk was asked to look at advertising all the facilities CPC offer on the Facebook page, the Winter Edition of the Newsletter and the website. The football fixtures were also down but the Assistant Clerk reported that she had not received the fixtures from three of the regular teams yet.
- 293/18 Park Inspection Reports: These have been received nothing new to report.
- 294/18 <u>Consider having the music ending earlier at the Village Hall.</u> The Assistant Clerk reported a complaint was received from a local resident about the music ending too late at the village hall. In line with other venues in the area that similar closing times it was decided that the situation would be monitored and if further complaints were received then the situation would be reviewed, until then the cut off time remains at 11:30pm.
- 295/18 Decide as to whether to continue to cut back the area from the stream at East Park Farm to the car park or leave to grow: It was agreed that from field to car park the area alongside the stream field side would continue to be cut back regularly to the water's edge. From field to car park it was decided that the area needs to be cut back to the bollards and all brambles to be removed but leave the trees and shrubs; these are to be cut back/pruned as necessary. The loss of footballs into the undergrowth the other side of the stream continues to be a problem, until a resolution can be reached with WBC regarding the cutting back of the vegetation, the Assistant Clerk has been asked to investigate the possibility of a temporary barrier and provide quotations for the next meeting – 1st October.
- 296/18 <u>To decide whether a key safe would be an option to install at the Village Hall. When cover</u> <u>fo opening closing cannot be arranged, would mean hirers can open/close the building</u> <u>themselves:</u> The Committee approved the request and asked the Assistant Clerk to obtain a suitable key safe. It was also stressed that the key should not be left in the key safe longer than it needs to be i.e. only when cover cannot be arranged.

286/18 <u>To consider the request from AFC Reading for the installation of a Portaloo at St. Patrick's</u> <u>field.</u> The Committee decided at this stage they would prefer AFC Reading to explore the option of the club purchasing a toilet tent, this would be a more cost-effective option and would be removed from site when not in use (AFC Reading would be responsible to ensure that all waste is disposed of appropriately). No permissions would need to be sought if this route were taken and it would avoid any unwanted attention such a facility may attract when the field is not in use by the club. The Assistant Clerk is to follow up with the club.

The Meeting closed at 8:33pm

Signed:

Date:

The next meeting is Monday 1st October 2018