

Shedfield Parish Council

(Incorporating the villages of Shedfield, Shirrell Heath and Waltham Chase)

MINUTES OF OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 7.30 PM AT SHEDFIELD PAVILION

Present:

Parish Councillors: - David Ogden, Alan Cox, Ruth Wiffen, Graham Smith,
Jess Bond, Matt Humphrey and Kevin Dye

Clerk:- Yvonne Wheadon

Councillor in

Attendance: - Stuart Jones

Tree Warden:- Robin Boston

Members of public: - none

24/10 – Apologies - none

25/10 - Declarations of interest - none

26/10 - Minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2010 were signed by the Chair as a true record with minute numbers, 22 and 23 being inserted at "Charity Matters".

27/10 - Public participation

Robin Boston provided guidance regarding cutting of the hedges at Shirrell Heath and suggested that Council reconsider timing to provide wild life access to berries.

Meeting resumed

28/10 - Waltham Chase Play Area -

- (i) The Lappset Play Equipment has been installed but minor snagging is yet to be signed off prior to payment being made. Rob Shaw will provide a copy of the handover document once to hand.
- (ii) Paths - It was agreed that a site visit by Councillors could help to determine areas that require renovation/installation of pathway.
- (iii) Goalposts - It was resolved that new goalposts, included in the budget, should be purchased. These will replace the old one recently dismantled for reasons of safety.

29/10 - Triangle -

Goal Posts - It was noted that the goal posts are old and will require replacement in the near future.

30/10 - Botley Road War Memorial - It was resolved that the company offering the best priced estimate should be contacted and in the meantime clerk to proceed with grant aid.

31/10 - Grounds Maintenance Contract (3 year contract ending March 2011) - It was agreed that the current documentation should be adapted for tenders and will be determined at Full Council along with Common and Cemetery documents.

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CHARITY MATTERS

32/10 - Shedfield Recreation Ground -

- (i) Annual Play Inspection - Essential repairs have been made to the roundabout and painting of the equipment is under way.
- (ii) Litter, Vandalism - Littering of cans and bottles, some still containing alcohol were strewn across the recreation ground. The fencing and posts around the cricket pitch were dismantled. Police alerted.
- (iii) Sporting Fixtures - A fixture list has been drawn up for teams who have submitted their requirements.

33/10 - Shirrell Heath Recreation Ground and Allotment Gardens

- (i) Allotment Progress - An inspection of the area showed that there may be a possibility for larger plots, not fully maintained, may be shared. The top end of the recreation ground is still to be marked for new plots.

With no further business to be transacted the meeting closed at 9.40 pm