

PARISH COUNCIL OF NEWLANDS

MINUTES OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2020 AT THE COMMUNITY HALL, NEWLANDS AVENUE, WATERLOOVILLE COMMENCING AT 7.30 pm

Members: Cllr M Read (Chairman) (P) Cllr A Kirby (P)
Cllr L Price (P) Cllr F Tingle (P)

Also present one member of the public and Tony Daniells, Clerk to the Council.

001/20A Apologies: All Councillors were present

002/20A Declarations of Interest: There were no Declarations of Interest made at this time.

003/20A Public Session: The meeting was adjourned at 7.31 pm to allow comments from the public. The meeting reconvened at 7.36 pm.

004/20A Adoption of Open Space: WCC had enquired if NPC were ready to take on areas of Open Space which they maintained. Committee members discussed this item and had a number of questions that first required an answer such that they had the necessary information to consider this further.

Questions to be put to WCC were

- Had there been any communications with Havant Borough Council? In answer, a Councillor replied that questions had been put to HBC about management of their areas of open space but no reply had been received. The Adoptions Manager at Taylor Wimpey had also been unable to get a response.
 - The WCC Implementation Officer role should be taken forward to the West of Waterlooville Forum for an update and progression.
 - Details of the commuted sums and what had been used so far should be obtained
 - Some contiguous areas of land had been swapped for maintenance with HBC. What happens at the end of the 20 year maintenance period.
 - Up to date map of open space land should be requested
 - What was proposed for the parcel of land leading to the HWRC. This should be discussed at the next Forum meeting.
 - What was the maintenance strategy that was covered by the commuted sums.
 - What was necessary to maintain the play equipment on the Western Open Space
- The Chairman considered that until these questions could be answered there was no need for further discussions. The Open Space Project officer would be invited to the next meeting of this Committee.

It was AGREED that the Clerk would

- i. contact Officers at WCC to get answers to the above questions**
- ii. invite the Open Space Project Officer to the next meeting.**
- iii. Ask that items for discussion at the Forum were added to that agenda**

005/20A Litter Pick: Cllr A Kirby introduced this item. He wanted to organise a litter pick on the development as part of the Great British Spring Clean. HBC had equipment that could be loaned. The pick would be organized for either 21 March or 28 March. Cllr Kirby would contact the Community Officer who had organized a litter pick in the past. It was also suggested that refreshments could be offered to those taking part afterwards at the Community Hall.

It was AGREED that this activity was recommended to Council to support and to agree any finding required.

006/20A VE Day Street Parties: Cllr A Kirby had proposed a VE Day Party at the Community Hall on either 8 May or 9 May. Those attending would bring their own picnic. **It was AGREED that a small working party was setup and Cllr Kirby ask for volunteers to help organise at the next Council meeting.**

007/20A Correspondence: The local Police Officer had requested a Youth Shelter. Although there was already a shelter in the Town Park, it was considered that a second shelter at the opposite end of the development would allow a second group to make use if it. The Clerk would get a quote and bring this back to the next meeting of this Committee. The Committee would also look into having the development policed locally from Waterlooville. **NOTED.**

008/20A Other reports: The following items were raised as information

- i. The future of Waterlooville Police Station was under review
- ii. Barclays Bank Branch in North End was to close and its business would be transferred to the Waterlooville Branch
- iii. The car park at Yew Gardens was closed and it was unclear if this was temporary or permanent.

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CLLr Crichton, speaking during the public sessions raised the following points

- i. WCC should be approached about having street name plates in Wellington Park that had their logo
- ii. Boundary signs should be placed to show where the boundaries between HBC and WCC were.
- iii. The street name sign in Moorit Place was misleading and could be clearer
- iv. How do Chamonix propose to manage the two streets that were to remain private and under their ownership.

It was agreed that these matters i and ii would be discussed between HBC and WCC and added to the agenda for the next Forum meeting.