

WEST MOORS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held on Thursday 11th February 2010 in the Council Chamber, Pavilion, Fryer Field, West Moors at 7.30pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr Mrs C Holmes – Chairman		
Cllr. J. Bartley	Cllr Miss J Church	Cllr. P. Holden
Cllr. J. Price	Cllr Mrs J Ware	Cllr Ms S Zyga

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms J Weedon (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllr Ms S Edwards Cllr R Long

09/365 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

09/366 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J Price declared a personal interest in Agenda item 7 – Memorial Hall
Cllr J Bartley declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda item 7 – Memorial Hall

09/367 TO RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT

- a) New Play equipment for Oakhurst Play area minute no 09/328 refers** – This was installed during the week commencing 12th March
- b) Christmas lights minute no 09/330 refers** – The new lights have been delivered
- c) Street lights repaint** – A request has been sent to have the red street lamps along Station Road repainted the work has been scheduled for spring.
- d) Damage to Tennis Courts** – There has been some minor damage to the tennis court surface caused by the basketball hoops. The hoops belong to the Youth Club and they have been asked to remove them in order to avoid further damage to the surface. Repairs will be carried out shortly to repair the damage.
- e) Oakhurst Gatekeeper position** – Four application forms were sent out but none have been returned.
- f) Pedestrian crossing near the library**, DCC has informed the Parish Council that the criteria was not met to install a crossing.

09/368 ALLOTMENT WORKING PARTY UPDATE

Members received a verbal update from Cllr P Holden. No change in the position and the Parish Council are still chasing pieces of land.

09/369 PETWYN TREES

Members discussed works required to trees on the Petwyn. One quote has been received. Members requested that another two quotes were sought to ensure best value was received. Quotes to come from EDDC approved tree surgeons. It was **RESOLVED that the Clerk proceed with the works to the Petwyn trees once other quotes had been received and the most suitable contractor appointed to carry out the works.**

Voting: Unanimous

09/370 MEMORIAL HALL CAR PARK CORRESPONDENCE

Cllr Price declared a personal interest, he remained in the room but took no part in the discussion.

Cllr Bartley declared a person and prejudicial interest, he left the room and took no part in any discussion.

Members discussed an item of correspondence received from the Memorial Hall secretary regarding the car park. Members were given background information relating to grants awarded to the Memorial Hall for car park renovations/maintenance in the past as well as information on the income and expenditure generated by the Multi Use games area. It was noted that users of Parish Council facilities will have an impact on the Memorial Hall car park as well as other users of the car park. Members also considered the Memorial Hall suggestion of using the area in front of the MUGA as a parking facility. The Clerk had consulted with EDDC, who are the landlord for the piece of land in question and was advised that they would be very unlikely to support such an option unless major disruption was being caused to traffic in Station Road. After considered discussion it was

RECOMMENDED that the Memorial Hall applies to the Parish Council for grant aid annually, with the amount being determined year on year, in recognition of the impact that users of Parish Council facilities have on the car park.

Voting: 4 for, 1 abstention

It was recognised that any grant awarded to the Memorial Hall car park should have a stipulation that it be spent on the far end of the car park as this is the area used by MUGA users.

09/371 CHRISTMAS LIGHT COMPETITION

Members were asked to consider whether to continue running the children's Christmas light competition. It was noted that the competition helps children learn that they are part of the community. It was

RESOLVED that if the schools wished to participate then the children's design a Christmas light competition would be run in 2010.

Voting: Unanimous

Cllr Holmes to approach Oakhurst First School.

09/372 DOG WARDEN SCHEME

It was

RESOLVED to continue with the Dog Warden Scheme run by EDDC for the year April 2010 to March 2011

Voting: Unanimous

09/373 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Members having received and discussed a document on Traffic Management compiled by Ferndown considered whether it was a suitable option for West Moors to carry out a similar exercise. After discussion it was

RESOLVED that the Parish Council would not pursue a Traffic Management document for West Moors and would continue to tackle various problems as they arise.

Voting: Unanimous

09/374 BUS SHELTERS

A request was received from Transdev yellow buses to install flags and timetables into Parish Council bus shelters for the new bus service due to commence on the 19th April. It was

RESOLVED that approval be given to Transdev to install flags and timetables into Parish Council owned bus shelters.

Voting: Unanimous

Members then discussed the option of using Parish Council owned bus shelters for advertising. After a brief discussion it was

RESOLVED that Cllr P Holden pursue the use of advertising in the Parish Council bus shelters.

Findings to be reported back to committee

Voting: unanimous

09/375 TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE

a) None

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm

SIGNED DATE
Chairman of Environment Committee