

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Amenities Committee held on
Thursday 30th July 2010 at 7.00pm
in the Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Drayton High Road, Drayton

PRESENT

Mrs. H Kisby (Chair)

Mr K Morgan

Mr W Morgan

Mr L Wilkinson

Mr J Gotts (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE

1 Parishioner and 1 Tree Warden, Mrs Joy Ramsey

Mrs. Kisby opened the meeting and welcomed those present

1. Apologies for Absence

Terry Tidy and S Atchoarena

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2. Declarations of Interest

Nothing.

3. Break for Parishioners to speak

Mr Vincent

Mr Vincent queried if a tree could have its branch trimmed near the bus stop on the High Road near to the Playing Field. It was agreed to contact Mr Allaway as it came under his inspection programme. Mr Vincent also queried if the ivy and undergrowth could be cut back near to Mr George's property on Drayton High Road. The Clerk would contact Highways to determine ownership.

Mrs Ramsey

Mrs Ramsey reported that at Green Lanes, the steps were broken and the path was overgrown. It was agreed to ask the Handyman to inspect and possibly rectify.

4. General Matters

4.1 –Standing Orders were suspended for the Tree Wardens to speak.

Mrs Ramsey reported that a working party had been on the Littlewood's site on the 24th June and were making headway clearing up. There was to be another clear up very soon on a date to be arranged.

Mrs Ramsey also reported that the Suter's Drive pond won 2nd equal prize for the Green Flag competition. Mr K Morgan congratulated the award of second place. Mrs

Ramsey, also, reported of another clear up organized for the 25th September from 9am till 1 pm.

It was also reported the memorial oak tree on the King George field was showing signs of improvement.

4.2 – Best Kept Garden Judges allocation of areas.

It was, firstly, reported that Ian Harris is very likely to be the main judge, through Mr Morgan. The members of the committee, who were present, were allocated their areas for judging.

It was reported that Mr Thompson was trying to get Taverham Garden Center to sponsor the event.

5. Exchange of Information

Mrs Kisby reported on an E-mail received from a Costessey resident on a planning application in Costessey, which would have a visual impact for Drayton residents. The E-mail is held with these minutes. It was agreed that, although, the time for observations had passed, the Council should write to South Norfolk Council, with a copy to Costessey Parish Council, of our concerns of granting the application.

Mrs Kisby, also, reported of a letter received from Bullens Developments of an update regarding the Allotment request. The full letter is held on file with these minutes.

There was a possibility of land called the Glade, being offered to the Parish Council. It was felt that this land may be not suitable, but we will await further updates. In the meantime. The Clerk would contact Broadland District Council for their assistance in gaining land for Allotments in the Parish. This was on proposal of Mr Wilkinson and seconded by Mr K Morgan and everybody was in favour.

Mr Wilkinson asked if there had been any more requests for Memorial trees, which there had not been, and he proposed that in a future Chronicle the information should be published. The Clerk would, also, put information on the Web site.

Mr K Morgan raised the matter of a planning application which could affect a Tree Preservation Order; this would be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on the 5th August.

6 Date of Next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Committee is the 14th October 2010 at the Front Room of the Pavilion of King George the Fifth Playing Field at 7.00p.m

The Meeting concluded at 7.52p.m.

Signed by Chairperson of Committee.....

Mrs Hilary Kisby.....

Dated 5th August 2010