

DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Amenities Committee held on
Thursday 19th May 2011 at 7.30pm
in the Pavilion, King George V Playing Field, Drayton High Road, Drayton

PRESENT

Mrs. H Kisby (Chair) Mr K Morgan Mr W Morgan

Mr A Thompson Mr L Wilkinson

Mr J Gotts (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE

1 Parishioner and 2 Tree Wardens , (Mr P Rees and Ms Joy Ramsey)

Mrs. Kisby opened the meeting and welcomed those present and asked for nominations for Chairman

1. Election of Chair

Mr K Morgan proposed Mr Thompson seconded Mrs Kisby and all agreed.

2. Election of Vice-Chairman

Mr Thompson nominated Mr K Morgan and was seconded by Mr Wikinson and was agreed by all.

3. Election of Representative for Finance Committee

Mr W Morgan was proposed by Mr Wilkinson seconded by Mr Thompson and this was agreed by all.

4. Apologies for Absence

No apologies had been given.

5. Declarations of Interest.

There were none given.

6. Break for Parishioners to Speak

Mr Vincent

Mr Vincent reported of areas needing attention at Drayton High Road in two places, plus the footpath Hurn Road Reephram Road and a hedge at Bradshaw Road.

Mrs Ramsey

Mrs Ramsey reported the gas marker at Hurn Road being damaged.

Mr Rees

Mr Rees expressed his concerns of the state at Longdale and stated in the winter it was the footballers who left discarded drink bottles around the pitches. It was agreed to word the agreement for future leases to include must clear up after their matches.

7. General Matters

7.1 Suspension of Standing Orders for Tree Wardens to speak.

Mr Rees spoke on behalf of the Tree Wardens and reported three items.

- (a) The three Alders and 1 Plane tree had been planted at Florence Carter Playground and were doing well. Broadland Council had provided these trees.
- (b) Trees in the tree belt at Longdale had again been damaged and he had sent an E-mail to the Clerk. The Clerk reported he had sent on this matter to the Police and he was meeting with them tomorrow for this and damage caused to a tree at the front of Longdale. The police had caught the culprits for this damage and the Council wanted this matter to go forward for damages to the tree.
- (c) Mr Rees had been told about the matter of the planting of trees at the Badgers Brook roundabout and suggested a way of carrying out this. Mr Rees thought a large specimen tree (Cedar) should be planted so less chance of vandalism. He wanted to plant this as a memorial to his father. There should have substantial protection (6 foot frame iron shield) and shrubs and bulbs should be put in the area also. The chance of underground hazards should be investigated.

7.2 Noticeboard at Lodge Breck

Residents of Lodge Breck had requested a noticeboard as they felt not being involved. The Clerk and the Handyman met someone from Broadland Council on site and agreed where to site the board. The Handyman fixed the board to a back garage wall as was the suggestion only for the owner of the garage to strongly complain. The board was then moved to another site and the garage wall was made as good as new. The lady made an official complaint which the Chairman has answered.

7.3 Thorpe Marriott Village Hall

It was reported that Thorpe Marriott Village Hall was experiencing financial problems. As per Finance Committee of March 2011, it was decided to send the £500 as budgeted to both Thorpe Marriott and Drayton Village Hall, now.

7.4 Tree Preservation Order 77 Hall Lane

It was reported that the TPO on the above had been withdrawn as the tree were no longer there. The Clerk to write to ask how this is possible.

7.5 Dog By-Law

The Clerk at the last meeting had been instructed to investigate how to organize a by-law to stop dogs being allowed on Longdale. The Chairman had received the paperwork through the Clerk and was surprised at the high costs to implement. It was decided to find out the full costs and possibly put on next year's budget for implementation. Mr W Morgan expressed his displeasure on how dogs are allowed to foul the field and felt that the School Road entrance is blocked completely, so all people had to use the main entrance. Discussions turned to the King George and it was decided on Mr Wilkinson's proposal to find out the costing of having a larger notice to point out the by-law already implemented on that Playing Field.

8. Exchange of Information

Mr K Morgan reported of spores from a Poplar tree being blown into his business and

other people's gardens and felt Budgens should be approached to fell the tree. Mrs Kisby and Mr Wilkinson spoke against this suggestion.

Mr Thompson reported of overgrown vegetation on the School Road/ Reephams Road junction.

Mrs Kisby requested Flooding put on the next agenda.

Signed.....

Mrs Hilary Kisby

Chairman of Committee

2nd June 2011