

Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Leisure Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 15th April 2009 at 7.30p.m. at the Council Chamber, Langley Road, Abbots Langley.

Those present:

Chairman:	Councillor Mrs S Bedford
Councillors:	Councillor Mrs J Lay (Vice Chairman) Councillor C Daily Councillor L Lay Councillor K Williams Councillor J Wyatt Councillor Miss I Young (Ex-Officio)
Also Present:	Mr R Smith - Sports Representative Mr C Bromwich - Allotment Representative Mr L Clark - Allotments Representative Mrs S Sanderson - Allotment Representative
Officers:	Mr T Perkins - Clerk to the Council

The meeting opened at 7:30pm.

569. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received, accepted and recorded from Councillors White and Giles-Medhurst.

Mrs Keaveny, Halls Representative advised that she was unable to attend.

David Abbott, Facilities Manager was on other duties and Mark Ellis, Works Manager, had returned from annual leave that day and was unavailable.

570. Declarations of Interest

None.

571. Minutes of the Meeting

It was proposed by Councillor Miss Young, seconded by Councillor Wyatt and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18th March 2009, copies of which had been sent to all Members of the Parish Council prior to the meeting, be taken as read and were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

572. Sports Representatives

No major issues at Evergreen FC, they have caught up with matches disrupted by the weather, pitches are holding up reasonably well.

Ron Smith will contact Mark Ellis to discuss moving one of the pitches next season by apx. 2m to allow worn goal areas to recover.

573. Allotment Representatives

Kingsfield.

Plot 1, which is not let due to an electricity cable running underneath, needs strimming.

Jacketts Field.

Padlock at Jacketts Field end needs replacing urgently and a request has been made to move the notice board from by the Jacketts Field gate, where it is poorly sited, to a more central area, adjacent to the housing side fence line.

The new plots allocated, are not yet being worked. Office to check with new tenants.

Names of allotment reps to be passed on to tenants when invoices are sent out later in the year. Generic email addresses to be set up by the Clerk for allotment reps.

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Manor House. Vacant plot does not appear to have new tenants, Clerk to check with Booking Officer.

Manure. Chris Bromwich and Mark Ellis to review practicality of transporting, storing and labour required to provide manure from the stables on Bedmond Road for allotments holders on all sites, report to next meeting.

574. Halls Representative

None present.

575. Clerk's Report

Vandalism at Manor House playing fields, particularly the breaking of considerable amounts of glass in the public areas and on pitches is causing problems. The Community Warden and the Works Team are addressing, but it is taking up significant time. The Clerk is in contact with Sgt. Canning and all incidents are being formally reported and crime number obtained. The Clerk will write to local businesses that sell alcohol to point out the problems. ALYFC and ALCC have been advised of the problem and asked to carry out pitch inspections prior to matches.

The Clerk advised that the orders for the new equipment and fencing at Lemonfield would be placed within the next few days, when a couple of minor points are clarified with the supplier.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____