

## Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Leisure Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 21st April 2010 at 7.30p.m. at the Council Chamber, Langley Road, Abbots Langley.

Those present:

Chairman: Councillor Mrs D J Lay

Councillors: Councillor L Lay  
Councillor K Williams  
Councillor D White  
Councillor Miss I Young

Also Present: Mr R Smith - Sports Representative  
Mr C Bromwich - Allotment Representative  
Mr L Clark - Allotments Representative  
Mrs S Sanderson - Allotment Representative  
Mrs G Keaveny - Halls Representative

Officers: Mr T Perkins - Clerk to the Council

The meeting opened at 7:32pm.

### **633. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received, accepted and recorded from Councillor Mrs Bedford, Wyatt, Giles-Medhurst and Daily (all unavailable).

Mr David Abbott, Facilities Manager and Mr Mark Ellis, Works Manager were unavailable for the meeting. The Facilities Manager has been working considerable extra hours covering the Works Managers duties.

### **634. Declarations of Interest**

Councillors' Mrs Lay, White, Miss Young and Lay declared an interest in agenda item 12, Abbots Langley Cricket Club.

### **635. Public Participation**

No members of the public had expressed an interest in addressing the Parish Council.

### **636. Minutes of the Meeting**

It was proposed by Councillor Miss Young, seconded by Councillor White and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2010, 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.

### **637. Reports from the Sports Representatives**

Evergreen FC would like to relocate two of the pitches at South Way by three or four metres, to prevent further ground erosion in goal mouth areas. Mr Smith will talk to the Works Manager.

### **638. Reports from the Allotments Representatives**

Jacketts Field - Mrs S. Sanderson

A resident in Summerhouse Way is allowing their dog onto the allotment grounds to exercise; this is creating a fouling nuisance. Initial conversations with the dog owner have been unproductive. Mrs Sanderson will pass on details to the Clerk for further action.

Kingsfield - Mr L. Clark

No issues to report. Thanks to the Works Team for maintaining the water system.

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Manor House - Mr. C. Bromwich

No issues to report.

### 639. Reports from the Halls Representatives

Abbots Langley Players held a recent production and reported that previously advised building issues appeared to have been resolved. It has been asked that removal of the "Swiss Chalet" over the stage be reconsidered.

The Clerk was asked to check what insurance theatrical groups that hire the Henderson Hall for productions should hold, also what arrangements they should have in place to effect orderly evacuation of the building in case of emergency. Will take advice from the Zurich Risk management seminar in May.

### 640. Leisure Committee Representatives

Members broadly agreed with the arrangements suggested by the Clerk, which will need incorporation into the next revision of Standing Orders. The Clerk advised that he had received some nominations, which would be considered at the May meeting of this committee.

### 641. Allotments

It was proposed by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor White and **RESOLVED** that poly-tunnels be permitted on Parish Council allotment grounds, not to exceed 3m x 2m x 2m, be of commercial not home built construction and maintained in good order.

Tenants will be required to apply for permission to the Parish Council, which will not be granted until Three Rivers District Council Development Control has approved an application from the tenant. Further arrangements for approval and ongoing inspection to be delegated to officers.

A vote was requested three members were in favour, one against and the Chairman did not vote.

### 642. Clerk's Report

Members noted the items on the Clerk's report not covered elsewhere on the agenda and asked that thanks be passed on to Mr David Abbott, Facilities Manager for his hard work during the period of the Works Managers absence.

### 643. Part II

It was proposed by Councillor White and seconded by Councillor Miss Young and **RESOLVED**, that as the following item dealt with proposals and counter proposals in contracts that the Parish Council may be entering into, the press and public be excluded from the discussion, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972, ss100 & 102.

### 644. Abbots Langley Cricket Club - Lease Terms

This matter was deferred to the next meeting of this committee, as following member's declarations of interest the meeting was no longer quorate.

The meeting closed at 8.36pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_