

Abbots Langley Parish Council

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11th February 2016.

To Members of the Leisure Committee

Councillors: Sara Bedford, Martin Brooks, Jane Lay, Hitesh Tailor, Alison Ward & John Wyatt (Chairman).

The next meeting of the Leisure Committee will be held at the above address on Wednesday 17th February 2016 at 7:30 pm when your presence is summoned for the purpose of transacting the business outlined below. The press and public are welcome to attend the meeting.

Tim Perkins
Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**
To receive and accept apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda.
3. **Public Participation**
To note if any members of the public have requested to speak at this meeting, in accordance with the Parish Council's Public Speaking Arrangements.
4. **To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on**
16th December 2015.
5. **Reports from Allotments Representatives**
To receive reports from the Allotments Representatives.
6. **Reports from Sports Representatives**
To receive reports from the Sports Representatives.
7. **Reports from Halls Representatives**
To receive reports from the Halls Representatives.
8. **Public Spaces Protection Order**
To consider the notification from Three Rivers District Council and decide if the Parish Council wants to train staff to enforce the order. (See Clerk's report item 1.)
9. **Manor House Greenspace Action Plan (CMS)**
To consider the next stages of the above. (Action plan circulated in advance to committee members.)
10. **Manor House Allotments - Legacy Wall**
To consider the report from the surveyor. (See enclosed report and Clerk's report item 2.)
11. **AIMs Annual Report**
To consider the above. (enclosed)

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12. Clerk's Report

To consider items on the Clerk's report not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

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1. Public Spaces Protection Order

See following from Three Rivers District Council:

"TRDC are introducing a Public Spaces Protection Order throughout the District on 1st April 2016. The Order will have restrictions in relation to the control of dogs (fouling, exclusion areas, dog on a lead if directed to do so by an authorised officer, restriction of the number of dogs walked by one person to a maximum of 4, dog must be on a lead around café in aquadrome)

TRDC can delegate authorisation to enforce breaches of the PSPO to Parish Councils.

Our Legal team have stated that it will be a requirement that all authorised staff are trained in the issuing of Fixed Penalty Tickets before they can be included in the delegation scheme. We will be organising a training session here in March, the cost will be £50-£75 per delegate."

This raises a number of questions. For starters:

- Do we want Parish Council staff to undertake this enforcement work?
- Do the staff want to do this?
- Most outside staff have been on the receiving end of abuse from MoPs when tackling dog fouling. So there are personnel safety issues to be considered.

2. Manor House Allotments - Legacy Wall

Following reports on the poor condition of the above wall advice was sought from a couple of contractors. The advice was contradictory, so it was decided to get a surveyor's report on the condition and possible remedial actions.

The surveyors report is enclosed. It was received just as the meeting papers were being prepared, so no further costs or other information is available.

3. Primrose Hill Community Orchard

A grant of £200 has been awarded from County Cllr Sara Bedford's locality grants for the ongoing replacement and planting of trees in the community orchard.

4. Primrose Hill Slide

Works to replace the slide and the associated remedial works are provisionally booked for w/c 22nd February. The works are being carried out by the equipment supplier.

5. Car Parking Systems - Manor House & Primrose Hill.

There has been a delay in the signage, which requires approval by the parking contractors legal advisors. Delivery is due imminently. The equipment has been delivered and allowing for installation and commissioning the "go live" is expected to be first week in March.

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