

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2013 AT THE RECREATION CHANGING ROOMS.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Mrs. G. Burton,
Councillor J. W. Cornwall,
Councillor Miss S. Farr,
Councillor P. Jones,
Councillor A. J. Mould,
Councillor Mrs. P. Shufflebotham,
Councillor Mrs. N. A. Stanier,
Councillor A. E. Wilson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. C. J. Snape (Clerk).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs. J. P. Morris.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.

Councillor Mrs. P. Shufflebotham proposed re-election of present Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton. Councillor Mrs. N. Stanier seconded the proposal. There were no other nominations and Councillor Mrs. G. Burton was duly re-elected.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. CHANGING ROOM/RECREATION GROUND/OPEN SPACES.

The following issues were raised by the Chairman with recommendations to be put to full Council for approval.

4.1 Changing Room Extension.

The current planning approval expires in January 2014. A request for a further **three year** extension can be submitted to Staffordshire Moorlands District Council for consideration, but it was noted that the planning approval will then expire. It was accepted that funding is very difficult in the present economic climate and that the visions of the Council for an extension may not come to fruition. The Council does have limited funds in reserve for refurbishment and improvement of the changing rooms.

RECOMMENDED:

- **To apply for a three year extension for the current planning approval.**
- **To consider improvement work at the changing rooms – painting, retiling and new fencing.**
- **To meet with football team members to discuss improvement ideas and future cleaning programme for the changing rooms.**

4.2 Official Launch of the new play and fitness equipment and Jubilee Gardens.

RECOMMENDED:

- **To hold the event in school term time – September/October with refreshments served in the Village Hall.**
- **To agree on the invitation list.**
- **To make enquiries with regard to availability of a band or solo musician.**

4.3 Dog Fouling Poster Competition.

It was noted that pupils from Forsbrook Primary School have completed their art work for the above competition. Prize for the best judged posters to be discussed with the art class teacher.

4.4 CCTV

In view of the recent increase in vandalism and anti social behaviour the provision of CCTV sited at the changing rooms was discussed. It was noted that the local police officers are now covering all three shifts and youth workers are in the village three nights a week.

RECOMMENDED:

- **To install CCTV at an approximate cost of £1000.**

5. ENVIRONMENT ISSUES.

5.1 Potholes – locations: Caverswall Road, Mount Road, Bridgwood Road and The Avenue, Blythe Bridge.

Report to Staffordshire County Council Highway Defects Department.

5.2 Open Space, Crossfield Avenue, Blythe Bridge.

To liaise with Town and Country Services to identify the most appropriate work to deter football on the area and to ascertain if there needs to be any additional shrub planting.

Clerk to the Council

Chairman