

**WEST MOORS PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** meeting held on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June** in the Council Chamber, Pavilion, Fryer Field, West Moors at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:**                    Cllr J Bartley                    Cllr M Hawkes                    Cllr P Holden  
                                   Cllr Mrs J Lovegrove       Cllr C Octon                    Cllr Mrs J Octon  
                                   Cllr R Smith

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mrs J Weedon (Clerk)  
                                   1 member of the public

**APOLOGIES:**                Cllr J Lewis                    Cllr Mrs P Yeo

**Absent without apologies:** Cllr Ms S Zyga

**18/039    ELECT A COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2017/18**

Cllr M Hawkes was proposed, seconded and duly elected Chairman of the committee.

**18/040    ELECT A COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR 2017/18**

Cllr C Octon was proposed, seconded and duly elected Vice Chairman of the committee.

**18/041    DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Bartley declared a personal interest in agenda item 12, litter bin at Fryer field. Cllr Bartley chose not to vote on the matter.

**18/042    QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A resident asked members what effect the new Unitary Authority would have on environment matters. It was explained that at the present time we did not know, however East Dorset District Council are looking at transferring some assets to the parish council which would have an impact on the environment committee.

**18/043    TO RECEIVE CLERKS REPORT**

- a) Skatepark: Maverick Industries carried out repairs to the half pipe on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May. They also repainted the ramp.
- b) Signage minute no 17/065 refers: This matter has been chased again and DCC have responded stating they are very busy, but it is on their list.
- c) Fencing: repairs to fencing near skatepark have been carried out.
- d) The Grange Football tournament was once again a great success on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June with 132 teams competing.
- e) Allotments: One plot is currently vacant and is in the process of being re-let. The additional water tank has not been delivered yet.

**18/044    FRYER FIELD TREE WORKS**

Members considered four quotations for works to trees on Fryer field. Members discussed the quotations giving special consideration to RHV Tree and Hedging Specialists, who are the usual parish council contractors for tree works, however after considered debate it was felt that the difference in cost had to be taken into account and it was

**RESOLVED that the quotation from Dorset County Council Arboricultural Team for £2080 be approved and accepted.**

*Voting: unanimous*

**18/045    ACTIVITY DAY EXPENDITURE**

Members received information regarding the issues surrounding the provision of a climbing wall for the event on the 14<sup>th</sup> July. In order to secure this activity a budget overspend is required. Members discussed the transfer of funds from other budget headings to cover this additional cost. After discussion it was

**RECOMMENDED that there is virement of £550 from budget heading 3020/3, pavilion maintenance to 4098/4 Activity day costs.**

*Voting: unanimous*

**18/046 DOG WARDEN SERVICES**

WMPC have paid for dog warden services in relation to dog fouling enforcement on Fryer Field since 2010, Members considered if they wish to continue paying for this service provided by East Dorset District Council. Members discussed the possible pros and cons of the dog warden patrols and after debate it was

**RESOLVED to continue to pay for Dog Warden patrols provided by East Dorset District Council on the Fryer Field at a cost of £1560 per annum.**

*Voting: 5 for, 1 against, 1 abstention*

**18/047 ALLOTMENT FEES**

Members reviewed the fees charged for allotments at Gullivers Farm.

After discussion it was

**RESOLVED that allotment fees remain unchanged and be reviewed in 12 months.**

*Voting: unanimous*

**18/048 RED ENSIGN FLAG**

Members considered the purchase of a Red Ensign to fly for Merchant Navy Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September to raise awareness for the country's reliance on seafarers and shipping. It was suggested that the parish council should also consider purchasing flags for other events. After debate it was

**RECOMMENDED that the parish council purchase a Red Ensign for Merchant Navy Day and also a Blue Ensign to commemorate 100 years of the RAF and then budget for other flags in due course.**

*Voting: 5 for, 1 against, 1 abstention*

**18/049 LITTER BIN PROVISION AT FRYER FIELD**

Cllr Bartley informed members of litter problems at the bowling club end of the memorial hall car park. It was noted that the bowling club had requested that the council consider installing an additional litter bin on Fryer Field to help alleviate the advised problem. Members were provided information on the cost of a litter bin and twice weekly emptying.

After discussion it was

**RESOLVED that the parish council would not provide an additional litter bin on the Fryer Field adjacent to the bowls club.**

*Voting: unanimous (Cllr Bartley did not vote)*

**18/050 UPDATE: FRYER FIELD TASK AND FINISH GROUP**

Members received a verbal update from task and finish group members. They were informed of a meeting held with Dorset Community Action. Members were informed that DCA would be coming to address the parish council to explain how they can help with the skatepark project. It was explained that a grant for Awards for All could be applied for to assist with paying for help from DCA to gain further funding. It was

**RECOMMENDED that the task and finish group go ahead with a funding application to Awards for All in order to pay for assistance from Dorset Community Action for the skatepark project.**

*Voting: unanimous*

Members received information on the purchase of new tables for the pavilion as part of the development plan and agreed that the proposed replacement tables were suitable.

**18/051 UPDATE: FUTURE PROVISION OF CEMETERY SPACE WORKING PARTY**

No update

**18/052 CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Dog Warden report for May
- b) ICCM magazine Summer issue
- c) Allotment and Leisure Gardener Issue 2 2018
- d) Email from resident complimenting the condition and appearance of the cemetery.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm

The next Environment meeting is scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30pm

SIGNED ..... DATE .....  
Chairman of Environment Committee