

TELSCOMBE TOWN COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of **TELSCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB COMMITTEE (Sub-Committee of Policy & Resources)** held on **Thursday 27th January 2010** at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: Cllr J Livings (Chairman)
Cllr T Armour (Vice-Chairman), Mrs B Sawyers

Village Members: Mr A Baker, Mrs P Harwood,
Mr P Harwood

APOLOGIES Village Members: Mr V Harwood

308. **TO APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2009**

The minutes of the above meeting were approved by the Committee and signed as correct by the Chairman.

309. **MATTERS ARISING**

It was agreed that members of the Committee would contact two local electricians to supply quotations for the installation of external lighting and additional power points in the Club building. In addition the work required to alter the electric meter cupboard to improve access would also be included in the specification to the electricians. The cancellation of the Christmas party due to bad weather was very much regretted by the meeting.

310. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer reported that the balance of the Village Club account stood at £4,534.98 plus an additional £300 was waiting to be paid in.

311. **BOOKING SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Booking Secretary advised there were no current bookings scheduled. The Booking Secretary requested that the booking conditions are changed to state that chairs should not be stacked in such a way as to block exits. In addition the conditions should also state that hirers are to remove all rubbish from the building and grounds after completion of the hire. The Clerk was requested to change the existing conditions.

312. **UPDATE FOLLOWING LETTER RECEIVED FROM STRUTT & PARKER RE PROPOSED NEW NOTICE BOARD**

Strutt & Parkers had advised that the Trustees were unwilling to pay the difference between the Town Council's proposed aluminium notice board and the cost of an Oak board required by the Trustees. It was proposed by Councillor Armour seconded by Mrs Harwood and unanimously:-

RESOLVED that the difference of £361 between the Town Council's proposal and an Oak notice board be met from Village club funds.



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313. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS AS URGENT

The booking secretary reported that a broken light fitting had been replaced. Cllr Armour informed the committee in respect of the Tye Commons Advisory Committee. The issue of the closure of bridleway eight to vehicular traffic was still being considered by the Town Council. It was reported that forty five vehicles had been counted going through the village between 3.30 and 4.30 pm during a recent afternoon. Councillor Armour advised that the Chairman of the Tye Commons Advisory Committee was proposing discussions with the National Trust and the Trustees of Gorham's Gift and possibly Mr Northcote of Kirby Farm to consider a joint approach to Natural England for Environmental Stewardship – Higher Level and or Entry Level.

The issue of dogs being on leads when walking the Tye was raised. It was considered that there may be a District Council Bye Law requiring dogs to be on leads in public open spaces, particularly if there are more than two being walked together. The Chairman agreed to check the position with the District Council.

The reappearance of the potholes on Gorham Lane was raised and the damage these were causing to residents vehicles. Residents with damaged vehicles were urged to contact the County Council to claim payment for repairs. The Chairman would raise the issue of the road surface with the highways department at ESCC.

A recent enquirer to the County Council in respect of overgrowth encroaching onto the highway was advised the responsibility for cutting back overgrowth was that of the landowner.

The Clerk advised that the recent incidents of fly tipping on the Tye had been reported to the District Council for removal. The possibility of installing CCTV cameras was raised in respect of the fly tipping and the unauthorised vehicles using bridleway eight.

The gritting of the Gorham Lane hill during the recent bad weather as far as the cattle grid was much appreciated. The Clerk was asked to express thanks at the next Strengthening Local Relationships (SLR) meeting with the County Council and ask the County Council if the hill can be included on the regular gritting route during future periods of bad weather.

The Clerk was asked to include an item on the next agenda in respect of possible events to be held at the village club to coincide with the farm open day being held over the May bank holiday. An item to discuss a date for a possible village club quiz night should also be included on the next agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.25 pm.

The Chairman advised the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 24th March 2010 at 7.30 for 8.00pm.

Signed
CHAIRMAN – Cllr J Livings