

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL ALLOTMENTS AND LEISURE FIELD COMMITTEE TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY 20th JULY 2010 AT 7.30pm ON SITE.

Present: Councillors Nick Kenton Sandra Hooper (Chairman)
 Sam Shevde Martin Kemp

Sarah Wells Clerk to Parish Council

Skate Park Project Team

Bob Priestley Community Warden Carol Reeves DDC Development Officer
Mr R Lasslett – Young Club PCSO Benson

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs Smith and Pemble

2. GUN PARK

a) New Skate Ramp Project

The Skate Ramp project team had received quotes showing three different schemes for improvements to the skate ramp area. Additional quotes from other companies had also been requested.

Option 1 – New equipment on the existing site

Option 2 - utilise the existing basketball area that was already tarmaced.

Option 3 – Extend sideways on to the grassed area.

The cost and planning implications of the three schemes were discussed, option 1 would be quite expensive and little would be gained in the way of new equipment. Option 3 would mean the tarmacing of a large grassed area, the members did not believe the planning department would allow this, additional tarmac would also add greatly to the cost of this scheme.

Option 2 would seem to be the best way forward however the members were very concerned about the effect this would have on the neighbouring residential properties. After some discussion the members agreed in principle to this option provided the project team undertake a full consultation with the resident that may be affected.

The PC members moved onto other areas and the Skate Ramp project team left the site

b) Driveway from Cooks Lea to Gun Park

The Clerk showed the members the area of driveway that was lifting due to a tree root; this had caused a trip hazard. It was agreed that the Clerk should get a quote to replace the tarmac and remove the root.

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c) Dog Loo and Adjoining Area

The gate to the old dog loo area had been broken down and the School had complained about stinging nettles growing through their fence. The whole area was extremely overgrown and would be very expensive to clear, after some discussion it was agreed that no action should be taken as there was a lot of wildlife living in the area. A strip could be cleared adjacent to the school fence and kept clear with weed killer however this may have a security implication for the school, the Clerk to speak to the head teacher.

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3. ALLOTMENT

a) Water supply School side

The members looked round the School side of the allotments and agreed that one additional tap should be provided.

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b) Unfenced overgrown area of Allotment Land

The members were concerned that this area was very overgrown and several trees had taken root and were getting quite big. It was agreed that the Clerk should get quotes to clear the area so it could be trimmed regularly to prevent it becoming completely overgrown.

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The meeting closed at 8.25pm