

The minutes of the Community Projects Committee meeting held in the main hall at Gurnard Primary School in Hilton Road on Tuesday 30th June 2009 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Day & Fuller, **Messrs** Lloyd, Rainey and Jacobs, **Mesdames** Spencer, Marriott & Jackson and **Youth Advisors** Sam Flux, Bill Holland, Ben Green & Matthew Church

There were no comments from members of the Public present (0)

CP086 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**
Resolved: That Councillor Day is elected to serve as Chairman until the Annual Meeting 2010

CP087 **APOLOGIES**
Apologies were received from Youth Advisors Jonathon Luter and Hannah Tew

CP088 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Councillor Fuller declared a personal interest in agenda item 6 due to his IW Council connections

CP089 **MINUTES**
The minutes of the Community Projects Committee meeting held on 24th March 2009 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

CP090 **MATTERS ARISING**
There were no matters arising

CP091 **PLAY AREA PROJECT**
Minutes CP023, CP042, CP049, CPO056, CP064, CP070, CP076 & CP083 refer

a. Project Update
£10,000 from Awards for All, £1500 from Gurnard Bonfire Society and £481.75 from IW Rural Community Council is all banked. Written confirmation has been received of a £15,000 grant from the European Union Leader Fund and a £50,000 grant from HM Government's Play Builder Fund.

All funding agreements have been signed by the Parish Council and 50% of the Play Builder grant will be paid hopefully during the 1st week of July. The Leader funding will not be paid until completion. Once the 1st Play Builder 50% is in the Parish Council's account, Eibe will be instructed to proceed. Eibe requires 25% on ordering, 25% on confirmation of manufacture (2 weeks later), 25% on the day of delivery and the final 25% on completion. There is a Play Builder Board meeting on Thursday 9/7/09.

- The Parish Clerk was thanked for his fundraising efforts, and concerns were expressed at Eibe's staged payments requiring so much in advance.
- b. Seating and Waste Management
A fitted bench and a round litter bin are expected to cost about £800 and £250 respectively, and a resident has undertaken to fund these 2 items, dedicating the seat to a relative.
 - c. Scheme Insurance Cover, Maintenance and Safety inspection Regime
Andrew McIntyre from the IW Council attended the meeting and confirmed that the IW Council is willing to provide these services subject to conditions. Insurance cover can only be provided if the Parish Council signs the scheme ownership over to the IW Council once it has been signed off by the manufacturer, and there will be an annual fee to cover all the above – a figure will be supplied prior to 9/7/09. It seems that the Parish Council/Manufacturer will have to cover insurance risks from delivery of the equipment until it is signed off, and there may be a local yard the manufacturer could use if there are security concerns for the equipment.
 - d. Scheme Project Management
This was briefly mentioned at the last meeting, when Mike Rainey indicated he would be willing to help if he could. The Parish Council has expressed interest to the IW Council to partner with it in the management of the installation project, under the Parish Empowerment Programme. Andrew McIntyre stated that moves were being made to free up some officer time to cover milestones during the project installation and this will be discussed further at the Play Builder Board meeting on 9/7/09. Eibe will be required to provide a schedule of works with dates etc and a list of contacts will also be needed. All parties will need to be provided with a site map showing the whole layout as approved.

CP092

GURNARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Minutes CP076c & CP 082 refer

The Parish Council has endorsed the committee's recommendation for the formation of this charity, and an e-mail address has been set up to enable the registration process to start with the Charity Commission. The charity registration process has faltered due to the fact that there is no approved constitution in place. A draft constitution has been drawn up, but the Community Association once officially formed is the body that must approve it.

Early attempts to cultivate some interest in the Village for membership of the Association have not been successful, and the committee considered the make-up of the Association's Management Committee. It was suggested that some former Gurnard Village Partnership members might come on board. Issue was taken with the proposed name, but it was explained that the committee would be able to agree the name.

It was agreed that Vicky Spencer, Kathy Marriott, Paul Fuller, Richard Day, Graham Lloyd, Alan Jacobs and Rusty Adams would serve as Trustees & committee members, and that Vicky Spencer and Kathy Marriot would approach a couple of other Village residents. It was also agreed to call a first meeting as soon as possible.

CP093

NEW PROJECTS

Minutes CP034 & CP084 refer

a.

Footpath Project

Vicky Spencer reported that she had not had time yet to undertake some initial research into a Worsley Lane to Solent Middle School footpath. Paul Fuller reported that some early approaches to residents on this idea has met with opposition as well as support, so there may be some work to do to overcome possible objections before proceeding any further. It was also reported that Helen Stitchbury, the IW Council’s Sustainable School Travel Officer, is keen to support the Parish Council in any school link initiative such as this. Apparently there is the good potential for an organization called Sustrans having funding available to improve links between schools and the communities they serve, but any funding provided must be match-funded.

It was agreed that Rusty Adams would run the footpath proposals past Rights of Way and that Vicky Spencer would attempt to carry out her initial research remit before the next meeting.

b.

Gurnard Marsh Seawall Project

The history of the sea wall on Gurnard Marsh which collapsed in 2001, and upon which the coastal footpath lays, was explained to the committee. Attempts to persuade the IW Council to repair it have proved fruitless, and some efforts to set up a working party comprised of “interested parties” to look at the various options haven’t come to much so far. Following some detailed discussion the Community Projects Committee considered if it might be prepared to take on a role in this project.

It was agreed that this was not an appropriate role for the committee.

CP094

DOG BINS ON COWES ESPLANADE

One item to come out from the recent Parish Council May Queen consultation day was the request for an additional dog bin between Egypt Hill and Gurnard. Although this may be outside the Parish boundary, the committee considered the need for this additional bin.

It was agreed that there was a need for an additional bin in this area.

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ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

There were no items raised

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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Chairman