

ITCHEN VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL
(Serving the villages of: Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy)
Minutes of the Old Field Subcommittee Meeting
July 3rd 2015

Attending: Cllr Y Riley Cllr H Labram Mr J Rember

1.1 Apologies: Rev A Denniss

1.2 Appointment of Chair: Cllr Riley was proposed by Cllr Labram and seconded by Mr Rember and was duly elected as the Chairman.

1.3 Subcommittee TORs: It was agreed that the Subcommittee should have 4 members and as the Committee was predominately operational that page 2 of the TORs be changed to recognise that the Trustees would lead on Strategic issues. Cllr Riley advised that the full council would need to review the revised TORs.

1.4 Play Equipment Priorities: Mr Rember briefed the committee on the Trustees plan to focus next on replacing the play tower which is now obsolete. Unfortunately a new tower is well beyond the combined resources of the Parish Council and the Trustees. Therefore fundraising ideas were discussed.

1.5 Fundraising Ideas: The cost of a moderate tower replacement will be in excess of £10K, the following fundraising ideas were discussed

Creation of a Friend of the Field group.

Approaching local Easton event organisers for contributions (I.e. Duck race/Fete/Village Hall).

Approaching external bodies, such as National Playing Fields Association, Hants CC small grant fund, Rotary/ Play equipment companies.

Cllr Riley agreed to look in to the creation of a friends group who could then develop funding plans once they became established.

1.6 Hedge Cutting: Cllr Riley has made tentative enquiries via Cllr Moffat on the feasibility of the Messers Grey and M. Moffat, who currently cut the hedges at Couch Green taking on the "Field " hedge cutting, To be discussed at full council.

1.7 Dog Control: A number of requests for a dog bin have been received. Council to look into costs. Mr Rember asked that consideration be given to the bins siting if it were to go ahead.

1.8 Notification of Field Hiring's: All field hiring need to be notified to the Parish Clerk, the recent advice from our insurers is that limited liability signage for when cars are using the field has no legal standing. It was agreed not to use this type of signage.

1.9 Existing Field Boundaries: The Trustee strategic vision for the future is to simplify the Field boundaries, no further action required at this time. Trustee to keep Council informed of any developments.

1.10 Date of Next Meeting: Friday 8th January. 2016 at 8.45am, Cllr Labram agreed to email all with date.

1.11 Meeting Close: The meeting was closed at 9.45am.