



**MINUTES OF THE COMMONS & HAMS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 6TH June 2017
at 6.15pm to conclude no later than 7.00pm
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Waller, Cllr Ferguson, Cllr Dodge (arrived 6.48pm), Cllr Michael and Cllr Geens

IN ATTENDANCE: - 1 Member of the Public.

1. To Appoint a Committee Chairman – Cllr Waller was reappointed.
2. Apologies: None
3. Declarations of Interest
 1. Register of Interests: Councilors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
 2. To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature - None.
 3. To declare any Other Disclosable Interests on items on the agenda and their nature – None.

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes

4. The minutes of the Commons & Hams Committee of 20.02.17 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.
One amendment was made to item 7.1 Gorse clearance with the addition of the word ‘financial’
Matters arising from these minutes - None.
5. To discuss budgeted projects/improvements for 2017/18
Cllr Geens questioned when are the cattle due to be purchased?
Cllr Waller confirmed a meeting needs to take place with Rob Havard from Natural England in the first instance. This meeting is scheduled to take place on 9th June 2017.
6. Update on Management of Ashmoor Common – Awaiting meeting with Rob Havard as above.
7. Update on fallen tree from Croome Estate side of the fence on the southern boundary of Ashmoor Common. – Pip Webster, Estates Manager from Croome Estate has been informed of this and has appointed a contractor to deal with this matter.
8. To discuss replacing 2 x wooden posts on Kempsey Common car park – This is to be actioned.
9. Update on possible encroachment on common land
From a planning perspective no enforcement action can be taken as this is outside the enforcement timeframe which is 4 years.
Cllr Michael is trying to ascertain the position regarding encroachment on common land and will update accordingly.
10. To discuss Vehicular Access Kempsey Common – Awaiting a reply from Doorbars to answer questions on traffic weight and frequency.
11. Any Other Business
Cllr Michael questioned who is responsible for the fencing around the allotments?
Cllr Waller understood this to be the responsibility of the allotment tenants.
Encroachment along Stonehall Common – Home owners that adjoin the common are mowing the edge of the common as if this is a continuation to their gardens. A gentle reminder to be issued.

Action

CW

CW/
Clerk

Clerk to ask Roger Martin if he is available to cut the access track to Miss Moorhouse Cottage located on Normoor Common
The ditch work on Stonehall Common has been completed .

Clerk

Meeting Closed 6.58 pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

Signed Chairman..... Date

(Standing orders were adjourned)

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Bowley – Kerswell Green

Disputed the legality of the Committee meetings arranged for this evening.

(Standing Orders were reimposed)