



**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.00 PM
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: -Cllr Smith (Chair), Cllr Frazer-Cann, Cllr Bannister (arrived 7.30pm), Cllr Pugh and Cllr Blackwell and Cllr Geens

IN ATTENDANCE: - Clerk

1. Apologies: None
2. Declaration of Interests:
 1. Councillors' were reminded of the need to update their Register of Interests.
 2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) – None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) – None

Public Question Time – No questions

3. Minutes: The minutes of the Environment Committee of 29.9.15 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.

Matters Arising:-

The tree root lifting the tarmac opposite Napleton Lane has been addressed by WCC.

The overgrowth in the alleyway at Bannut Hill had been cleared however the nettles have grown back. Request for the Lengthsman to control and perhaps treat with weed killer in the spring.

Cllr Blackwell confirmed Wild Contracts had completed the work in the Rocky in line with the specification.

Thanks were expressed to Cllr Blackwell for clearing dog waste from the litter bin located outside the church gate and inserting a new bin liner, so that the bin was more serviceable.

Cllr Blackwell confirmed the litter bin located outside The Crown had disintegrated. The Committee recommended this be replaced with a spare existing bin and be fitted by a contractor.

Cllr Smith reported there were a couple of areas located on the A38 Main Road that looked rather untidy (one location opposite the Community Centre and the other north of the shop). The Committee recommended that the Lengthsman tidy up these area in the short term and to appoint a contractor in the spring.

4. Finance: - The preliminary Budget for financial year 2016/17 was agreed. This is to be presented to Finance & General Purposes Committee on Monday 16th November 2015 for consideration.

Cllr Bannister agreed to investigate wildlife signage for The Rocky from 2015/16 budget.

Cllr Blackwell to obtain costs for a long arm petrol hedge strimmer from 2015/16 budget

Cllr Blackwell to pursue price of new litter bin and repairs to noticeboards.

Cllr Blackwell reported the brick wall located in the Rocky Woods adjoining the Church Rooms was in a bad state of repair .(He declared an ODI as his wife is the Church Warden)

Cllr Geens, Cllr Blackwell, Cllr Pugh and Cllr Frazer-Cann to investigate the wall and also to look at building up the path level within the Rocky.

Cllr Pugh to take on the responsibility to rehang and secure the metal double gates in the Rocky.

Clerk to liaise with the Lengthsman to ask him to cut vegetation overgrowth from around the metal fence at the Rocky.

Action

Other Projects

The Committee decided to include in their budget £1k to attend to work in smartening the village to include the clearing/tidying of the two areas previously identified together with attending to the snowberry shrub located opposite the houses on The Oaks.
£5K to repair the path on the Limes Green

5. Any Other Business

Cllr Pugh advised he is trying to combat speeding traffic via West Mercia Community Speed Watch and in the near future would like some support from the Parish Council.
Clerk reported she had received a complaint concerning the deposit of horse manure at St Mary's close. A request for horse owners to pick up horse mess will be highlighted in the Parish Magazine

Meeting Closed at 9.40 pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

Signed Chairman..... Date

Environment Committee	EN	2015/16	2016/17
Additional Lengthsman	EN16/01	3,000	3,000
Lengthsman	EN16/02	3,500	3,696
Lengthsman Equipment	EN16/03	300	300
Maintenance Bus Shelters, Bins ,Benches	EN16/04	500	500
Maintenance for The Rocky	EN16/05	700	5,000
Further Improvements/Tree Work (The Rocky)	EN16/06	1,500	1,500
VAS Sign Maintenance & Battery	EN16/07	0	500
A38 Improvements to smarten village	EN16/08	0	1,000
Maintenance Limes Green Path	EN16/09	0	5,000
Miscellaneous Expenditure	EN16/99	0	0
SUB TOTAL		9,500	20,496