



**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 2.00 PM
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Smith (Chair), Cllr Frazer-Cann and Cllr Blackwell

IN ATTENDANCE: - Clerk

1. Apologies: Cllr Bannister and Cllr Pugh (Work Commitments) - accepted.
2. Declaration of Interests:
 1. Register of Interests: Councillors' were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
 2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) – None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) – None

3. Public Question Time – No questions
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4. Minutes: Having been previously circulated the minutes of 29.07.15 were signed as a true and correct record.
It was reported that the lamp post opposite the Lioncourt development will remain insitu and a deflector will be fitted to disperse the light away from residents houses. Another lamp post will be erected to light the junction of Saxon Meadows.
Henry Morris is happy to adopt the flag pole.
The issue with the radar key not opening the new metal gate alongside the church has been resolved with WD40 lubricant.
5. Update on footpaths:
A meeting took place with Gerry Brienza who inspected the tree root lifting the tarmac footpath opposite Napleton Lane. Highways confirmed this is a problem and will address.
Cllr Smith responded to a parishioner enquiry concerning footpath 505 and 587 highlighting that the Severn Way is included on WCC programme of footpath clearance.
Alleyway Bannut Hill – Cllr Smith has reported the overgrowth and also enclosed photos to WCC following a parishioner complaint. Clerk to write to parishioner to advise of the situation.
6. Update on Wild Contracts and The Rocky
Cllr Blackwell to liaise with Wild Contracts to obtain a revised price (as a result of the additional area to cover) for a three year programme of vegetation clearance works. Cutting would take place twice a year at the discretion of the contractor
The cheque withheld from the September meeting for £200 was issued to Wild Contracts as they had carried out the cut to the Rocky to their original instruction, agreed three years ago.

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Clerk

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| <p>7. Assistant Lengthsman Interviews have taken place. There were two applicants.
A recommendation is to be placed on the October agenda to appoint an Assistant Lengthsman following successful interview process.</p> | <p>Action
Clerk</p> |
| <p>A proposal is also to be placed on the October agenda asking that the Environment Committee in conjunction with the Clerk has delegated powers to recruit a Lengthsman to replace Roy Clarke.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| <p>8. Cllr Smith would like Committee members to think of any new projects in preparation for budget purposes. She mentioned improvements along the River Cllr Blackwell to speak to the Church Lands Trust to try and arrange a meeting to progress this item further.</p> | <p>KB</p> |
| <p>9. To consider placing a dog waste bin at the gate alongside the church leading to the Ham following a request from the Parochial Church Council (PCC) - Cllr Blackwell to liaise with Marian Walters (PCC) to ascertain the exact problem and to identify the location of the bin.</p> | <p>KB</p> |
| <p>Cllr Smith to obtain costs for private dog waste collection service.</p> | <p>AS</p> |
| <p>Cllr Blackwell to liaise with Glasdon to obtain a price for a new steel bin liner for the bin located outside the church gate, of correct size to eliminate the problem of dog mess falling in between the bin and the ill-fitting liner currently there.</p> | <p>KB</p> |
| <p>10. Update on Alleyway Bannut Hill – Please refer to item 5.</p> | |
| <p>11. Any Other Business</p> | |
| <p>Cllr Smith to obtain quotations to attend to problems with overhanging hedges/vegetation along the Main Road i.e. by the shop and opposite the Community Centre. These areas are the responsibility of Highways but unfortunately due to budget cuts they do not have the resources to attend to.</p> | <p>AS</p> |
| <p>Clerk to write to residents where overgrowth from their property impedes onto the public footpath along the A38.</p> | <p>Clerk</p> |
| <p>Cllr Blackwell identified a problem with pot holes along footpath 582 (footpath from the ford Squires Walk to the Lychgate). Cllr Frazer-Cann to take some photographs for the Clerk to report to WCC.</p> | <p>TFC/
Clerk</p> |

Meeting Closed at 3.09pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

Signed Chairman..... Date