



**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY 2017 AT 7.30PM AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**PRESENT:** - Cllr Smith, Cllr Blackwell, Cllr Frazer-Cann, Cllr Dodge & Cllr Geens

**IN ATTENDANCE:** - 1 member of the public present

1. Apologies: None

2. Declarations of Interest

1. Register of Interests: Councillors 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 in items on the agenda and their nature - None.

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

3. The minutes of the Environment Committee of 06.06.17 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record. Matters arising from these minutes -None

4. Handover of work from Cllr Pugh

a. To approve Rocky Map and wording for Interpretation Panels

Clerk to supply each committee member with a map of the Rocky to help expand upon the history wording. Ideas to be discussed at the Working Party meeting.

b. Discussion on Dog Poo Poster

Cllr Blackwell to liaise with MHDC to enquire if there is a poster that the Parish Council can display/adopt to encourage people to clean up dog mess. He will update at the next meeting.

Cllr Blackwell also passed a poster to Cllr Frazer-Cann for him to raise at the next Recreation Committee meeting to encourage dog walkers to clear up dog mess from the playing field.

c. White Marker Gates- Cllr Blackwell to obtain an update from Mr Pugh.

d. Community Speed Watch – We are on the waiting list for training to operate a speed measuring device. in Kerswell Green. The VAS sign has been gathering statistics.

5. **RESOLVED:** Not to pursue enhancing the Rocky with picnic benches (cost £655 each for round concrete based style) or defining the pond edge due to vast amounts of litter this could create and the insurance liability.

6. Update on Pond Assessment – As item 5.

7. Update on overgrown vegetation Napleton Lane Bend

Clerk confirmed the overgrown vegetation had been reported to WCC.

In addition the overgrown vegetation located outside 30 Main Road is to be reported. Cllr Blackwell to liaise with the Lengthsman on this matter.

8. Any Other Business

Cllr Geens to supply a map of the Rocky to help Cllr Blackwell mark the areas that need strimming, brush and nettle clearance to refer to Wild Contracts to obtain a revised quote. This will be reported at the next meeting.

Cllr Geens confirmed he had contacted the Environment Agency who are going to concrete sections of the eroded path in the Rocky.

Cllr Blackwell to liaise with the homeowner 20 Church Street requesting that his hedge be cut back which is encroaching onto the pavement.

Cllr Dodge referred to a bench in the graveyard that requires refurbishment and was understood to be the responsibility of the Parish Council. Cllr Geens to investigate.

A Working Party was arranged for Monday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at 2.30pm at the Community Centre

Meeting Closed 8.45 pm

Sharon Baxter

Clerk

Signed ..... Chairman..... Date

**Action**

Clerk

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# Public Question Time

Cllr Hugh Hanmer requested on behalf of his neighbours & self that a 50m length of the Napleton Lane southern boundary hedge, on the bend opposite no's 3,5,7,9 be cut to aid visibility around the corner and make safe.