

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF KEMPSEY PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 23rd APRIL 2012
AT 7.45 p.m. AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Mr. M Stevens (Chair), Mr. Blackwell (Departed at 9.00pm), Mr. D Harrison, Mr. J Michael, Mr. B Bowley & Mr. M Bannister (Arrived 7.55pm)

1. **Apologies:** Mr A Hay – Work commitments (accepted)
2. **Declarations of interest** in items on the agenda
 - (a) **Declaration of any Personal interests** in items on the Agenda and their nature - None
 - (b) **Declaration of any prejudicial interests** in items on the Agenda and their nature.
A Parish Council Member with a prejudicial interest in a particular issue may make representations, answer questions or give evidence to the Council during the Open Forum on the issue. However, the Councillor must leave the room in the event of an exchange on the issue between the public and the Council during the Open Forum and must also leave the room when the item is discussed during the Parish Council Meeting itself - None
3. **Open Forum** – No Open Forum discussion took place
4. **Minutes** – To approve the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on
 - Monday 27th February 2012Having been previously circulated these were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.
5. **Review of task list** – The task list was reviewed and updated. **Please refer to attached.**
6. **Review quotes received for Bridge improvement in the Rocky and decide how to proceed.**
Two quotes had now been received to the same specification for this work. Wild Contracts quoted £500 and TJB Garden Services quoted £1775. Mr Stevens made a proposal to present these quotes at the May Parish Council meeting for a decision to be made. This was seconded by Mr Bannister and voted for unanimously to proceed in this manner.
7. **Review quotes received for Bi-annual strimming of the Rocky and decide how to proceed.**
Two quotations had been received. Wild Contracts had quoted £280 per year x 3 years cutting in May and August. TJB Garden Services had quoted £530 per year x 3 years. Mr Stevens made a proposal to present this at May Parish Council meeting for approval. This was seconded by Mr Harrison and voted for unanimously to proceed in this manner.
8. **Review specification and quotes for new railings in the Rocky and decide how to proceed.**
Mr Stevens is to write a second specification to match the quotation received from Underwoods, amend the first specification to remove painting of the existing rails and reissue to obtain comparable quotes.
Mr Harrison suggested that we notify the public of our intentions at the Open Event and then present at the July 2012 Parish Council meeting for approval.
9. **Preparation of letters to residents and interested parties to advertise the open evening for The Rocky.**
Mr Stevens to draft a letter to invite residents to the Open Evening at the Rocky particular those who lived Adjacent/nearby namely in Squires Walk, Squires Close, Church Street and The Church Lands Trust.
He would also like to invite interested groups to this event. Please refer to the Task List.
10. **For discussion: The completion of risk assessments.** Mr Hay to produce for the May Parish Council meeting with the assistance of Mr Stevens.
11. **Set a date for working party to clear the Hatfield Brook (within The Rocky)**
This was set for 3rd June 2012 and will be advertised at the May Parish Council meeting. The Church Lands Trust need to be contacted concerning bricks being taken from Church House.
12. **Planning for the open evening including delegation of tasks**
A map of the area is to be displayed. Contact the Environment Agency to request if they can assist in providing any free Wildlife information boards. Seek available funding opportunities.

Meeting Closed 9.07pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk