

BENSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Benson Parish Council Recreation and Lands Committee meeting held on Thursday 25th June 2015 at 9:45PM in the Committee Room

MINUTES

Present: (Chair of Recreation and Lands)
Cllr P Baylis
Cllr P Murray
Cllr D Olley
Cllr J Fowler
Cllr S McCann
Cllr T Stevenson

Proper Officer: P Eldridge

There were no members of the public present.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 9th April 2015 were approved at the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 23rd April 2015.

1. To elect the Chairman of the Recreation and Lands Committee.

Cllr P Baylis was nominated for chairman of the Recreation and Lands Committee, by Cllr J Fowler, seconded by Cllr P Murray and carried unanimously. The meeting continued with Cllr Baylis in the chair.

2. Apologies. Cllr P Peers.

3. Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest.

4. Public Session. To allow members of the public to ask questions and address the Chairman. There were no members of the public present.

5. Rivermead:

a. To receive an update on Footpath No 8. It was noted that work on the path had been completed.

b. It was noted that the refurbishment of the paddling pool has been ordered. Clerk reported that work was expected to start in the next 2 weeks and would take about a week to complete.

c. Any maintenance or other issues. Cllr D Olley expressed concern about the state of the brick surround of the base of the 'Summer House' noting that the next time the area is flooded severe damage would occur. He continued that he had carried out some research and that £1500 +VAT should be sufficient funding to repair the brick base. After a short discussion it was agreed that the clerk should get quotes for the work for members of the R&L committee to discuss.

Action: Clerk to obtain 3 quotes for the repair of brick base on summerhouse at Rivermead. **CLK**

6. Play Areas:

a. It was noted that the annual inspection of play areas has been arranged with The Play Inspection Company Ltd at a cost of £225 +VAT for all 3 play areas.

b. To review the quote from Wicksteed Playscapes for the refurbishment of the Sunnyside Play Area. Due to the lateness of the hour discussion on the quote was deferred until the next meeting.

- c. Any maintenance or other issues.
 - i. Issues with the Sunnyside Play Area Cone Climber were noted.
- 7. **Any Other Items to Note or for the Next Agenda.**
 - a. Cllr D Olley noted that the roof of the Faye Grundy memorial shelter on the Sunnyside recreation area has been damaged.
Action: Clerk to investigate damage to the Faye Grundy shelter and report back to R&L Committee.
- 8. **Date of Next Meeting.** Thu 6th August 2015.

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P Eldridge
Parish Clerk
1st July
2015

Annex A
Actions for Recreations and Land Meeting as at
25th Jun 2015

Serial No	Action	Assigned To
1.	Clerk to report cracked manhole cover at scout hut to Thames Water. R & L Minutes dated 20 th February 2014 (8.b.i.). <i>In progress</i>	Clerk
2.	Clerk to arrange to clear foliage from sign. Minutes dated 13th November 2014 (4.a.). <i>Foliage cleared. Item closed.</i>	Clerk
3.	Clerk to purchase root puller. Minutes dated 12 th February 2015 (8.b.i.). <i>In progress.</i>	Clerk
4.	Clerk to arrange the work with Unpaid Work Team coordinator. Minutes dated 12 th February 2015 (11.a.). <i>In progress.</i>	Clerk
5.	Cllr Stevenson and Clerk to investigate situation with regards to the tree guard around the tree in the Sunnyside play area. Minutes dated 9 th April 2015 (7.a.). <i>In progress.</i>	Cllr T Stevenson Clerk
6.	Clerk to obtain quotes for the removal of Elder trees along the Sunnyside perimeter fence adjacent to Hale Road. Minutes dated 9 th April 2015 (9.a.). <i>In progress.</i>	Clerk
7.	Clerk to obtain 3 quotes for the repair of brick base on summerhouse at Rivermead. Minutes dated 25 th June 2015 (5.c.). <i>In progress.</i>	Clerk
8.	Clerk to investigate damage to the Faye Grundy shelter and report back to R&L Committee. Minutes dated 25 th June 2015 (7.a.). <i>In progress.</i>	Clerk