

# Wickham Parish Council

## Recreation Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the above Committee held at Wickham Centre on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2010 commencing at 7pm.

**Present:** Sue Roger-Jones (Chairman), Trevor Astbury, Marie du Boulay, Mike Carter, Angela Clear, Justin Gamblin.

Parish Councillors Mike Bennett, Di Frost, Jenny Hollis, one member of the public, Parish Clerk Nicki Oliver

- 1 **To receive apologies for absence** None.
- 2 **To receive declarations of interest on agenda items** None.
- 3 **To adjourn meeting to allow participation by members of the public**
- 4 **Agenda**

4.1 To receive update on plans for short term repairs/ improvements to Wickham recreation facilities: recreation ground, pavilion, play areas, kick about area, tennis court, skatepark and Community Centre kick about area.

4.1.1 Proposal to prepare long and short term action plans for improvements and additions to the recreation facilities for the Committee and Parish Plan. (Chairman) **It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that the Wickham Sports Development Plan 2011-2021 be adopted.**

4.1.2 To receive update on plans and fundraising progress for new tennis courts on recreation ground. **See item 4.1.3.**

4.1.3 Proposal to work with the Lawn Tennis Association to install two tennis courts to be run and managed by Wickham Tennis Club – a new club for the village. To receive proposal paper dated February 2011 (Clerk) **It was agreed to recommend to Full Council the proposal to install two tennis courts to be run and managed by Wickham Tennis Club. Lease issues to be discussed with Rookesbury.**

4.1.4 Proposal to commit Open Space Funds to a maximum of £53,500 towards the project. (Clerk) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council.**

4.1.5 Proposal to carry out topographical survey of the recreation ground for planning purposes at a cost of £450 + Vat (£5,000 enabling fund in 2011/12 precept .) (Clerk) **Agreed to recommend to Full Council.**

4.1.6 To receive update on partnership proposal between the Parish Council, Community Association and Wickham Church of England Primary School to provide an all weather sports pitch on school grounds for use by the School and community. (Clerk) **Planning work is being carried out by HCC and is progressing well.**

4.1.7 To receive update on Scout HQ proposals from Cllr Clear. **The Parish Council and Scouts have signed the lease however Rookesbury is unwilling to do so at present. Rookesbury is concerned that there is no break clause should the PC surrender the lease for any reason. The Parish Council is not in a position to guarantee the lease will not be surrendered. More negotiation and advice from the Council's solicitor is required.**

4.2 To consider proposed sell off of government owned woodlands (Cllr Bennett) Cllr **Mike Bennett asked that the Parish Council object to the Government's proposals to sell publically owned woodland. It was agreed to recommend to Full Council that objections be made.**

4.3 To review risk assessments for major assets within the responsibility of this committee and revise as necessary. (Chairman) **A further copy to be sent to members prior to recommendation for adoption by Full Council.**

- 5 To identify any unmanaged risks within this committee's remit** None.
- 6 Review effectiveness of communication, development of links with other community organisations and support for local democracy through making information more widely available** Continue to monitor.
- 7 Recent correspondence/ reports from meetings attended of relevance to this committee** None.

Meeting closed 8.10pm