



WEST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Environment & Highways Committee

Meeting held Thursday 13th May 2010. John Lampon Hall

Councillors present David Short, Jenny Church.

Apologies Harry Stone, Sue Day

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| 1 | <p>Allotments
 To ascertain if the role of the allotments committee has been formalised.
 Grass been mowed. Suggestion from Parish Plan group - open day in summer;
 sale of produce.</p> | <p>Action
 HS</p> |
| 2 | <p>Litter picking
 Litter pick held on May 1st. 10 villagers volunteered. Worst areas were
 Nayland Road (terrible) and Colchester Road. The Orpen Field, Poors Land
 and the Heath were picked by the Beaver Scouts the previous evening during
 their Club meeting.</p> | |
| 3 | <p>Heath and Parish churchyard
 Schedule of work by CSW to continue. Check with Scout Hut if their facilities
 can be used in the future.</p> | <p>DS</p> |
| 4. | <p>Village Ponds
 Planned clearing to be carried out by BCTV in September.
 A self-grown willow sapling needs removing from Queens Pond area.
 Ducklings are in residence here - how many will survive?</p> | |
| 5 | <p>Village seats
 Work has started on cleaning and sealing the seats on Orpen Field and by the village
 sign</p> | <p>DS</p> |
| 6 | <p>Trees in New Church Road
 These are to be trimmed back in the Autumn</p> | <p>DS</p> |
| 7 | <p>Encroachment on Trust land.
 A meeting held with householder of 23 Mumford Close and a letter sent summarising
 agreement. Situation to be monitored and to communicate in September if no action
 taken.</p> | <p>DS</p> |
| 8 | <p>Highway Maintenance
 Discussions need to be held with Area Highways Manager to determine maintenance
 regime for the village. Survey of problem areas to be carried out.</p> | <p>DS</p> |
| 9 | <p>Play Areas
 "Pocket Park" in Brewery and Orpen Field appear to be in a safe condition. Wooden
 posts in Erle Havard replaced by Colchester Homes with metal railings, seem to be in
 safe condition.</p> | |



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10 Dog Fouling

This is a problem in some areas. Propose to put an item highlighting the problem in the next Bulletin (i.e. send in by end of July)

DS
JC

11 Rubbish Bins

New bins required at Scout Hut and by Methodist Church bus stop. The bin by the bottle bank in Orpen field needs replacing with a "closed top" bin as the rubbish frequently gets blown around or attacked by animals.

DS

12 Footpath 17

Some work has been carried out by land owners to correct problems with this footpath.

JC

Need to communicate with Anne Tompkins to follow up progress

13 Poors Land

Field needs seeding to repair damaged grass

DS

14 Foot ball Club

Representatives from the football club attended. No grant money is available to progress with the proposed new building. The club plans to refurbish the brick building and improve facilities. They want to put in UPVC windows - may require planning permission. They are requesting permission from PC to demolish other dilapidated club house and replace with a demountable building to be used as a meeting area and a Football Social Club. They do not have the finances currently to buy the floodlights that they had wanted. Club reps to obtain pictures of demountables for PC to assess practicalities of this proposal.

DS
PC

The field will need weeding and seeding in the closed season - the club will repair the goal mouth areas.

15 Date of next meeting

Thursday 10th June 2010 in JL Hall