



WEST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Environment & Highways Report

Meeting held Thursday 14th July 2011 - John Lampon Hall

Councillors present David Short, Harry Stone, Jenny Church

Apologies Sue Day

- 1 **Poors Land**
Goal mouth grass is growing. Mowing of field will be required soon. DS

- 2 **Allotments**
The gate widening has been completed at a cost of £150 - tractor now fits through. Manure will be delivered during dry weather. HS
There are 4 vacant plots and 4/5 not being used satisfactorily. Ask Gary to keep vacant plots in order until in use again.

- 3 **Lorkin Daniel Field**
 - a) Val has emailed Football Club to agree spending £900 on care of field. DS
Field will need to be remarked and the goal posts moved to the correct length apart.
 - b) There is a split in the ash tree at the front entrance. It could cost £500 to cut down to safety standards. DS

- 4 **Highways**
Salt bins need refilling - Highways dept needs to be contacted. Also propose to ask for more grit bins in the village. DS

- 5 **C.B. Homes- Armoury Lane**
Check that communal area has been cleared of litter and rubbish. DS

- 6 **Village street scene**
Decided to plan litter pick later in year. JC
Gardening Club will provide planting around village sign. HS

- 7 **Severe Weather Policy**
Teams of volunteers required to be set up to respond to poor weather. DS
Equipment to be acquired from Highways. JC
Item for Bulletin and website to inform residents of "Severe weather policy" and ask for volunteers.

- 8 **Dog fouling**
Marcus Harrington has met with Dog Warden to inspect and identify areas of concern. New posters to be put up in strategic places. SD & JC

- 9 **Bollard in Chapel Road** DS
Bollard opposite Coop has been knocked over again. Gary to be asked to remove bollard as it is a hazard.

- 10 **MUGA** DS
Litter on courts needs clearing. Gary to be asked to carry out regular litter-pick. Litter bin required on court.
Bins on field need emptying twice a week - Gary to be asked to check these bins on a Friday.
- 11 **Village handyman** DS
Check when pay rise is due.
- 12 **Float money** DS
Request for Environment and Highways Chairperson to hold float money.
- 13 **Village Rubbish bins** DS
Some are being used by residents for their own domestic rubbish. Bins are often overflowing. Letter from Val to be sent to known offenders.
- 14 **Colchester Skip Hire** DS
Trucks are coming through village very early in the morning. Check with Planning Committee if there are specified times for movement of these trucks.
- 15 **New Church Road**
Re Proposals for traffic calming :-
a) Build out by Mumford Road footpath is agreed.
b) Agreed :- Double yellow lines along New Church Road; double yellow lines at corners of New Church Road with Lexden Road and at corners of New Church Road with Chapel Road.
c) Proposed one way system on part of New Church Road does not appear to be feasible. Suggest to invite Highways representative to come to next meeting to discuss.
d) Agreed proposal to relocate bus stop on Colchester Road further north to opposite Ash' store.

Date of next meeting - to be notified.