



WEST BERGHOLT PARISH COUNCIL

Environment & Highways Report

Meeting held Thursday 10th November 2011 - John Lampon Hall

Councillors present David Short, Harry Stone, Jenny Church

Apologies Sue Day

- 1 **Play equipment**
Quotation received from "Playquip" for repairs to Orpen Field play equipment. It was agreed to go ahead with this and ask them to Rospa the wooden climber and carry out any repairs required. JC
- 2 **Allotments**
10+ on waiting list for a plot.
Allotment Committee working well. HS
- 3 **Lorkin Daniel Field**
The proposal for a Shelter/Gazebo as meeting place for adolescents costing £7590 has been agreed. Suggest to be placed on Field by corner of car park/MUGA near rubbish bin. A discussion with young people to take place to encourage responsibility. All
- 4 **Highways/Snow patrol**
Salt bags have been delivered. DS & HS
Item re Severe Weather policy requesting more volunteers placed in Village news sheet. 6 volunteers now identified. Need to enquire about provision of equipment. Harry will liaise with volunteers and with Gary about areas to be allocated.
- 5 **Village Environment**
a) Hedge cutting and clearing of Heath has been carried out. All
b) Oak tree in Firmins Court has been felled by persons unknown. CBC - cost will not come to us.
c) Gary will trim overhanging hedges in Chapel Lane.
d) Meeting held with CBC re TPOs. All trees surveyed and appropriate TPOs put in place. Members of this committee to check and back up survey.
- 6 **Dog Fouling**
New posters encouraging cleaner pavements and footways to be placed at strategic sites. Item placed in Bulletin to highlight situation. SD & JC
New dog bins are not available at this time.
- 7 **Car parking/New Church Road**
A meeting with Headteacher is needed before any proposals can be discussed. DS
- 8 **Village Ponds**
Clearing of ponds organised for 1st and 4th December for Hall Road pond and 6th December for Queens Road pond. Lexden Road has been monitored and cared for by local residents. DS

9 **Spring Wood Naturist camp**

HS & JC

Meeting held with members of camp. A very interesting tour of the site, we were made most welcome and were impressed with the community spirit and with the care and conservation of the site.

Date of next meeting - to be notified.