

**WEMBDON PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of a meeting of Wembdon Parish Council meeting** that was held at St Georges School Wembdon on **July 8th** that commenced at **7.30pm** when the following business was transacted'

**Present:** Councillors Cllr M Solomon ( Chairman) Cllr J Riddle (Vice Chairman) Cllr A Reed, Cllr T Thake. Cllr T Thayer, Cllr L Burge and Cllr D Bingham

There were 6 members of the public, and District Councillor A Bown. District Councillor I Dyer County Councillor J Edney

*"Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime disorder and Human Rights"*

**79/13:** To Receive apologies for absence : Apologies received from, Cllr N Harrison, Cllr J Jackson, and Cllr J Woods, Thanks were given to Cllr J Riddle for taking the chair at the June meeting.

**80/13:** To Receive any declarations of interest. There were no declarations at this meeting

**81/13:** Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held at St Georges School on **June 10<sup>th</sup> 2013** these were accepted unanimously as a true reflection of the meeting.

**Working Groups Reports**

**Footpaths and Land**

**82/13:** In Church Road there is a raised pathway with a security barrier which has become very worn and in a bad state of repair, a decision was made to write to County Highways and request a repair or replacement.

**83/13:** An Oak Tree previously agreed at Lyndhurst Crescent will be planted with a shared cost by two members of the public. David Aggot will be contacted by the residents concerned, as they wished that a substantial tree was selected

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**84/13:** Bad grass cutting previously reported has been dealt with to a satisfactory standard at Countess Avenue.

**85/13:** A give a day has been suggested to deal with overgrown verges at Homberg Way. It is on the hit list for SDC and they will support by removing all debris.

**86/13:** Gate into the Liddall Meadow is being dealt with by our local contractor and will include a 12 ft wide gate

**87/13:** There are some issues with overgrown weeds and side verges on the allotment track. The weeds have been recently sprayed by our contractor and the Parish Council will review the matter in September.

**88/13:** Alan Jones and Andy Coupe to be invited to September meeting to review EDF funded plans for Sandford Corner and Quantock roundabout

### **Highways and Speed watch.**

**89/13:** The sweeper service now initiated in Oak Apple Drive as a result of enquiries by the clerk

**90/13:** Cllr Thake agreed to remove the bench near The Cottage Inn which has fallen into a state of disrepair

**91/13:** Further requests made for additional speed watch volunteers and a suggestion of a further piece in the Parish paper which should also remind residents of the need to observe speed limits in the village.

### **Playing Fields**

**92/13:** There has been a recent concern regarding the goal mouth at the southern end where it was discovered that debris including nails etc was a potential safety issue. As a result of this action has been taken to deal with the area and is now completely clear of debris and new grass has been sown.

**93/13:** After the recent GB Sports annual inspection the matting was deemed to be low risk and any decision to replace deferred until the September meeting.

**94/13:** A recent accident was reported and now investigated by the Parish Council. The gate in question was found to be fully compliant

**95/13:** A decision to replace the backboard, and ring for the basket ball area has been made and a quote to be sought with GB Sports with a

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budget figure of £400.00 approved. This to be done sooner rather than later.

### **Allotments.**

**96/13:** The new fencing will be installed very shortly and the allotments are now all let with a current waiting list. A notice board will now be

provided for the allotment holders this will be re sited from the top of Wembdon Hill

### **Communications.**

**97/13: Website:** Discussions with Media Orb are ongoing regarding Web hosting fees, training for use and a decision was made to pay up to £120.00 for a professional service to migrate and transfer files from the old site. It is expected that we should be totally up and running by the September meeting.

### **Correspondence Items**

**98/13:** School Crossing Patrol funding request. The School has submitted the request due to a shortfall in funding of £960.00. As a one off gesture the Parish Council have decided to grant 50% of the shortfall for the year 2013/14 thou' this should not be regarded as a precedent.

**99/13:** email sent by a Wares Lane resident a continuation of the re surfacing that was started recently at the Homberg way end. The Parish Council decided that they were unable to support this request at this time as there were other alternatives for those using prams and buggies

**100/13:** A report from the annual inspection by GB Sports is to be circulated by email to allow time to digest its content and raise any matters in September

### **Finance and to Agree Payments**

#### **101/13: Payments**

Clerks Salary for July 2013	<b>£400.40</b>
Tax / Ni Payments for July 2013	<b>£100.00</b>
GB Sports Inspection Invoice June	£ 18.00
Wessex Water Payment for half year	£ 71.85
Media Orb Web Hosting ( to be confirmed )	£ 180.00
Sutton Contract Spraying the Allotment Track	£ 32.00
CPRE Membership for 2013/14	£ 29.00

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**The meeting ended at 9.pm** and the next meeting on September 9th in St Georges School Wembdon at 7.30pm.

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