

**Minutes of a meeting of the Community Committee to be held at the Parish Office,
6 Wimborne Crescent, Westcroft held on Monday 8th March 2010 at 7.15 p.m.**

Present: Cllr. C. Williams – Chairman
Cllr. Mrs DeMyers-Robinson
Cllr. D. Edmonds
Cllr. Mrs N. Leonards
Cllr. D. Livingstone
Cllr. G. Small
Cllr. K. Thomas

Also present: Cllr. N. Warden
2 members of the public

In the absence of the Locum Clerk Cllr. Mrs Leonards took the minutes of the Community Committee Meeting.

1. Apologies

RESOLVED to receive apologies from Councillor Mrs J. Nicholas and Cllr. Mrs M. Walton.

2. Declarations of interest

RESOLVED that there were no declarations of any personal or prejudicial.

3. Public time.

Rosemary Clarke of GEMK based at Priory Rise School informed members about the proposal for a live willow sculpture proposed for Priory Rise School and the application she had submitted to the Council for the willow itself.

4. Minutes

RESOLVED to confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8th February 2010 and to receive reports on any matters arising, which are not included elsewhere on this agenda.

Councillor Mrs DeMyers-Robinson asked to be added to the list of those present as she was at the meeting on the 8th February 2010.

5. Grants and Projects

Puddles Pre School

Puddles Pre School is situated in the Shenley Brook End Community Centre and provides early learning for the under 5's – 28 children, 2 employees and 6 volunteers. The Pre-school had applied for £3000 for new toys and equipment.

Following lengthy discussion there was a proposal that £2000 be given to Puddles Preschool but this motion fell as there was no seconder.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council make a grant of £ 1500 to Puddles Pre-School.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Puddles Pre-School be asked to provide a photo and editorial on the grant being awarded for equipment.

Shenley Brook End Village Hall Committee

The Committee are applying for a grant for a new kitchen at the SBE Village Hall, which is in severe need of renovation now being 75 years old and also the equipment to go in it – fridge, microwave and kettles. This work will cost £4491.00.

RESOLVED that the Council defer the making of a grant towards the renovation works pending further information on:

- What fundraising is the hall committee doing itself?
- What income does the hall have?
- Financial evidence to support the bid
- What do the hall committee really need help with – equipment or building?

The Locum Clerk was asked to confirm that the work was starting in April and about the condition of the building i.e. was there a surveyors report available given the age of the hall?

Priory Rise School

GemK Global Education is based at Priory Rise School and as part of an MK wide project are working on a theme of “Education through Sustainability”.

Unanimously **RESOLVED** that the Council make a grant of £ 222.50 towards the living willow project at the school which would last up to 40 years.

Councillors were invited to join in the event which was taking place on the 16th March 2010 and it was agreed that this would make a good article for the next edition of Community News.

6. Askmk.tv

RESOLVED that:

- That a thematic approach be taken (rather than grid squares) in the making of the video
- Councillor Livingstone would be the liaison between Askmk.tv and the Parish Council
- That the Working Party be made up of Councillor Mrs Leonards, Councillor Livingstone and Councillor Thomas
- That Councillor Mrs DeMyers-Robinson put together a product description for consideration
- That the Working Party meeting and go back to the next meeting of the Community Committee with concrete ideas for the way forward

7. Staff Reports

RESOLVED that Members received the reports from the Parish Warden and Youth Leader.

8. Assistant Parish Warden

RESOLVED that Members noted the large amount of interest through Job Centre Plus for the role of Assistant Parish Warden and that the closing date for applications was the 22nd March 2010.

Councillor Mrs DeMeyers- Robinson expressed concern that applicants were being asked to hand write the application forms.

9. Correspondence

RESOLVED to note that Members had received the correspondence list from the office.

10. Date of next meeting: Monday 19th April 2010

Signed Date

Chairman