

RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF GREENS COMMITTEE

Held on Thursday 7 February 2008 at Ringmer Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs. Wilcox (Chairman); A J Grindley; J Kay; R B Truman and I Wilson.

There were two members of the public present.

- | 1. APOLOGIES | ACTION |
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| 1.1 Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mrs Humphrey, Ms Lewis and Peters. | |
| 2. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS | |
| 2.1 The Chairman suspended Standing Orders and invited comments from the members of the public present. | |
| 2.2 Mr Cooper reported that he would not be undertaking work on the bench by the pond until the ground was dry. He also commented on another bench that had been vandalised at the Delves House end of the pond. | |
| 2.3 The Chairman reconvened Standing Orders. | |
| 3. ACTION POINT LIST – Appendix 1 | |
| 07/06/02 | Replacement ‘rustic’ bench by pond: awaiting installation by Mr Cooper. |
| 07/09/07 | Damage to drain on the Green: no further action to report pending re-assessment with Cricket Club in the spring. |
| 07/12/09 | Repairs arising from annual inspection of play areas: the Clerk reported that the contractor had confirmed that these would be completed once the ground conditions had improved. |
| 07/12/10 | Dog bin at Anchor Field: it was confirmed that no action had been taken given the work involved. Also as a planning application for the new surgery had been received it was considered best to await the construction of this and assess its impact on use of the area. It was agreed to discharge this action. |

07/12/11 **Renovation of grave of Rev. Palmer:** it was reported that a revised quote of £210 had been received and accepted and the work would be completed by September 2008.

4. PLAY AREAS & EQUIPMENT

Signs at Broyle Close

4.1 It was reported that the signage for this area had now been installed.

5. VILLAGE GREEN

Additional Litter Bin

5.1 It was agreed to install an additional bin near the cricket pavilion and the pathway from Delves Way subject to the Chairman and the Clerk confirming the position.

**Cllr.
Wilcox
& Clerk
08/02/01**

Drainage from the Pond

5.2 It was reported that drainage from the pond had been blocked and contributed to minor flooding in the vicinity of the cricket pavilion and the saturation of adjacent areas. Work to unblock this had been of only limited success. A meeting had been arranged with a drainage company to look at both the short-term issue of unblocking the drain and wider issues relating to the drainage of the pond and the adjacent area.

Request to Plant a Tree

5.3 The Committee considered a request from Miss Biggs to plant an Alder Buckthorn tree on the Green in the vicinity of Bishops Lane. It was agreed to defer this matter until the next meeting. Councillors would then have the opportunity of assessing the proposed site and consider if this was suitable or if an alternative might be offered.

Proposed Visit of Coles Funfair

5.4 It was reported that the fair would be making its annual visit in September. It would be open from Wednesday 10 to Saturday 13 September and the police would be informed and ask to organise additional policing as before.

6. OPEN SPACES

6.1 There was nothing to report.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 There was no correspondence.

8. ANY REPORTS (by leave)

8.1 Cllr. Kay reported that some of the roadside posts at Rushey Green were deteriorating. The clerk undertook to have them inspected with a view to replacing some, or all, as appropriate. **Clerk
08/02/03**

8.2 Cllr. Truman commented on the amount of litter on the verge and in the hedge along Lewes Road, bordering Cheyney Field, and continuing to the Bowls Club. The Clerk undertook to arrange clearance. **Clerk
08/02/03**

8.3 Cllr. Wilson highlighted continuing concerns about the new footpath at the top of the Green. He suggested that the Lewes District Council engineer be asked to confirm in writing that the specification had been met by the contractor. The Chairman undertook to consider this when he had undertaken his inspection.

8.4 Cllr. Grindley drew attention to the difficulties posed to people with disabilities by the catch on the gate from the Green to the old churchyard. It was agreed that the Clerk would ask Mr Giles to install a more easily manipulated latch to see if this would solve the problem. **Clerk
08/02/04**

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

9.1 Thursday 5 June 2008, 7.30pm St. Mary's Room, Ringmer Village Hall.

Please note that this meeting will be preceded by a tour of play areas commencing at 6.30pm at Broyle Close.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm