

**COMMUNITY AND LEISURE COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY 2 February 2010  
7pm at Ockwells**

**Councillors present:**

Cllr T Robertson– Chairman	Cllr B Atfield	Cllr B Beasley	Cllr R Case
Cllr G Chapman	Cllr T Clements	Cllr P Colmer	Cllr M Hatton
Cllr R Szybiak	Cllr D Tetlow		

6 Members of the public

**The fire instructions on the entrance door were pointed out.**

**Chairman David Tetlow congratulated and presented the half marathon shield to Darren Tompkins as the first Cricklade male to finish in a time of 1hr 30m 25s. Penny Lock Pullan was the first Cricklade female to finish in a time of 1hr 52 m, Penny was unable to attend the presentation.**

**Public Question Time – There were no questions**

**MINUTES**

**09.110 Apologies for absence** – There were none received

**09.111 Declarations of Interest** – None Declared

**09.112 Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 5 January 2010 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

**09.113 Clerk's report on action points from 5 January**

**08.10 - Long Close**

A meeting took place on 20 May between Cllr Tetlow, English Heritage (EH) and Wiltshire Council Archaeology Dept (WCAD) to look at the Town Wall Monument. Following this meeting EH and WCAD have proposed a management plan for the walls with a working group to be formed in the future. Recently a reply has been received stating we will receive a strategy for the Town Banks shortly. The Town Clerk has written to the Managing Director of Taylor Wimpy regarding the transfer of land and the current state of the area – the letter has been acknowledged and more information has been requested, which has been supplied.

**08.95 - Abingdon Court Farm Open Space, Area of Land Behind Meer Stone & Hatchetts**

An informal proposal from Colin Brown was considered by Cllrs who agreed to consider a formal proposal (once made) to take ownership and responsibility to these areas. I have contacted Colin Brown acknowledging our interest. ATC to prepare list of other WC areas.

**09.18 - Exclusive Rights of Burial**

Suitable package identified and agreed by C & L Committee on 28 July - to take to FTC for approval and funding. ATC looking at in house provision.

**09.37 – Parish Improvement Grant**

Cllr Chapman met with members of the Footpath Group and identified the path between Bath Road and Doubledays for improvement. A grant application has been made and an acknowledgement email received. Results due beginning of February.

<p><b>09.72 – Closed Churchyards/Cemetery Maintenance</b>  Following meeting of 3 October – I have contacted WC regarding CTC standing with listed monument repairs and maintenance responsibilities. - WC requested photographs and a map with the locations of the damaged monuments – Information sent 17 Dec and an update requested, the officer is on leave.</p>
<p><b>09.73. Meer Stone Plaque</b>  CTC RESOLVED to purchase a replacement bronze plaque. Proof received, proof accepted re wording, query regarding the shape, proof accepted.</p>
<p><b>PQT – 1 December - Leisure Centres</b>  LC requested extension to their 2016 lease with WC. WC said this would be considered as part of the Wiltshire Review. Letter on file from NWDC explaining the various leases and the complications. ATC to send letter to LC Chairman suggesting they highlight situation to the Area Board – Letters sent. LC Chairman attended Area Board but the subject was not discussed. During a Suspension of Standing Orders, Bob Jones – Rep Cricklade Management Committee, stated the Leisure Centre are in negotiations with WC and will come back to CTC if we can assist. CLOSED.</p>
<p><b>09.92 – Italian Market</b>  The offer from WC to hold an Italian Market during May 2010 was considered. It was agreed to invite the market representative to Cricklade with a rep from CBA. ATC to invite Officer to attend the next meeting – Officer able to attend a day meeting Cllrs Atfield, Tetlow and Szybiak would like to attend together with a rep from CBA. ACTION: ATC to arrange meeting.</p>
<p><b>09.93 – Fairview Fields Car Park</b>  Request to improve the car park and signage. ATC to work with Planning ATC on signage. Advice and costings on possible improvements and problems that improvements might cause to the area have been received. Following discussions it was agreed the ATC would look at the original plans and check original requirements and see what the planning situation was and if it has expired. Copies of the 2001 paperwork were distributed, the original planning permission expired in 2006. Requirements at the time stated provision was to be made for disposal of surface water to ensure it does not discharge onto the highway, a construction engineer stated the surface of the car park should be stone to enable the water to drain through and the surface should be topped each year – Cllrs felt based on experience every 2-3 years would be acceptable. The design of the car park is for the surface to be just below the level of the field so it floods, because topping up has not taken place it has resulted in a higher level of flooding than expected. Cllr Clements suggested we investigate the use of recycled crushed concrete topped with chippings, consideration was given to the findings and it was RESOLVED for the ATC to obtain quotes to bring up the surface to just below the field level. Fairview Fields Maintenance Budget will cover the expenditure incurred.</p>
<p><b>09.97 – Wayleave Agreement</b>  The request from Open Reach (BT) to replace faulty cable on the Cricket field was agreed on 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. The agreement was signed and payment has been received. The work is due to commence as soon as the field is suitable to work on. David Osborn checked the area and work is yet to commence.</p>
<p><b>09.103 Correspondence – Christmas Lighting</b>  It was AGREED the ATC would send letter to Resident and Michael Wills. Letters sent. CLOSED</p>
<p><b>09.105 The Fiddlers Allotments</b>  A request was made to enhance the front entrance and to erect green link fencing, plant Pyracanthus, renovate the existing sheds and install water butts. It was AGREED to support the request providing the Landowners were in agreement regarding the sheds.ATC contacted the landowners they are happy for shed to be renovated. ATC has written to Allotment Representative and to Chairman of the Allotment Society and advised them of the outcome of their requests and concerns. CLOSED</p>

**09.106 – Cricklade & Purton Youth Services**

WC is reviewing services and there are plans to cut the service to Cricklade & Purton. Following discussions it was agreed ATC would send letters the Area Board (AB), WC Portfolio Holder, MP and NCAP Chairman to request support. The issues were discussed at the Area Board on 27 Jan - Cllr Doyle (AB member) suggested the AB might be able to fund from their 2010-11 grant money. Cllr Brady (WC) informed those present he would be reporting back to WC and asking them not to cut the allocated hours and to fund the £6000 shortfall. Following discussions it was AGREED, ATC would send a letter to Cllr Brady asking for an update following his statement at the AB and on receipt of reply and depending on content to write to the AB regarding Cllr Doyle's proposal.

**09.107 - Cricklade Leisure Centre**

Request to remove existing trees, extend the tennis courts and resurface. Committee supported the request. Action: ATC to check if permissions from WC are required – Information has been forward to WC and feedback requested.

**09.114 Correspondence**

- i) Request from Cricklade Fairtrade Group to display posters and traidcraft goods in the Town Council window over Fairtrade Fortnight, 22 February – 6 March 2010. It was AGREED to support the request provided branded goods were not displayed.

**09.115 Pollarding Trees in St Sampson's Churchyard**

Consideration was given to the three quotes received, following discussion it was RESOLVED to accept Quote 3. The ATC was requested to check that alternative trees were marked for pollarding – following the request the ATC can confirm this is the case. It was AGREED the ATC could move forward to gain necessary permission from the Diocese of Bristol and Wiltshire Council.

**09.116 Britain in Bloom Launch**

The report from the ATC on the Britain in Bloom competition and key dates was NOTED. The request from Cricklade Bloomers to hold a joint launch event on Waylands with CTC on Sunday 28 March and the proposed programme was discussed and all AGREED with the request. Bob Jones, Vice-Chairman of Bloomers will complete the risk assessments required and arrange marshalling, local residents will be informed via posters. During a Suspension of Standing Orders, Anita Barratt – Chairman of Cricklade Bloomers informed the Committee of the RHS plans for the national launch. Cricklade needs to promote the in bloom events by working together to win another award. Cllrs AGREED this was the way forward and a letter of courtesy should be sent to WC regarding the use of Waylands for the event. A number of Councillors volunteered to help with the event Cllrs T Robertson, B Atfield, B Beasley, R Case, P Colmer and D Tetlow.

**09.117 Working Party Update:**

Eastern Roundabout – discussions between Wiltshire Council & Highways Agency are taking place regarding road issues before transfer, this will take sometime to sort out possibly looking at 18 months. Cllr Colmer to report back to committee each quarter.

**Meeting Closed at 8.00**