

# DEEPING ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

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## **YOUTH & COMMUNITY COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of the meeting of the Youth & Community Committee held at 5.00pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at Woody Heights. Councillors Blessett, Helyar, and Shinkins attended with the Clerk Mrs Sheila Kostyrka and the contractor Dave Turner.**

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**24.09 To receive apologies for absence.**

Cllr Baxter did not attend, Cllr Parr (work)

**25.09 To receive declarations of interest, if any.**

None

**26.09 To adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2008 and to discuss any matters arising not considered elsewhere on the agenda.**

The Minutes were agreed and duly signed. It was recommended at the last ROSPA inspection that the cracking of the bitmac surface needed to be monitored, and this was inspected by the committee. Arrangements will be made for repairs as necessary. The arrangements for an additional youth worker are in hand. Further representation had been made by a resident living opposite the site regarding the speeding on traffic, and this was referred to council.

**27.09 To agree the dates and location for the Summer Play Scheme 2009 and agree joint advertising with MDTC and make recommendations to Council.**

The Clerk had recently met with MDTC and Sue Bell from Madcaps to agree the arrangements for the play scheme. It is recommended to Council that Sue Bell organises the forthcoming Summer Play Scheme which will take place at the Deeping St James Primary School weeks 10-14 and 17-21 August 9.30-12.00. It is also recommended that we work together with MDTC to share resources and advertising costs, and to advertise the forthcoming summer play schemes on the front of The Advertiser at a joint cost of £109.00. It is recommended that allocation will be shared across both parishes to ensure the play schemes will be full. As we do not have any funds from SKDC this year, Sue Bell is currently working out the finances within the budget allocation, and a further report will be made if this is not achievable. The committee agreed to review the 50p administration fee in 2010.

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**28.09 To inspect the site and consider the installation of the new equipment, forthcoming maintenance arrangements, and make recommendations to Council.**

The earth bund had been moved to allow the installation of the MAGA in the top right hand corner of the site as per the recent consultation with residents and the planning authority. It is retrospectively recommended to Council to pay an agreed fee of £650 for the relocation of the earth bund adjacent to the existing bund. The committee considered the location of the spring mobile and the flying saucer and another site meeting will be held on 23.03.09 for further consultation with the contractor.

A local contractor had agreed to cut the grass every two weeks throughout the summer at a cost of £700. It was confirmed that a daily inspection and little pick was ongoing. It was agreed to ask ROSPA to carry out an inspection once the new equipment is installed, and to also test the sound due to the concerns of a nearby resident that the relocation of the earth bund would cause. It was confirmed that the Parish Council had invested funds into soundproofing the skate ramps as the earth bunds had not proved effective. Consideration would be given to the fencing and signage. It was agreed to locate one of the new bins near the Youth Shelter.

**29. 09 To review the Committee's budget, out turn for 2008-9 and expenditure for 2009-10.**

The budgets are attached at Appendix 1 to this document. It was recommended to Council that £26,233.27 from the 2008-9 financial years be rolled over into the 2009-10 financial year to allow for the installation of the MAGA, scramble bike and flying saucer and to allow £650.00 for the removal of the earth bank with a small amount remaining for contingencies.

**30.09 Date of next meeting.**

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at 7pm on site at Woody Heights.

**The meeting finished at 6.30pm**