

# LITTLE DOWNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES of the Play Area & Recreation Committee meeting held in the Book Café of the Village Hall, Little Downham, on Thursday, 6 November 2008 commencing at 7.00pm.

**Committee Members present:** Cllrs CE Hall, in the chair, and DA Adams-Payne, M Oldfield, BL Taylor, AJ White (7.11pm) and KO Winters (7.20pm).

**In attendance:** Cllrs CM Frankland (7.25pm), DJ Badcock (7.25pm), EW Hall (7.11pm), RS Martin and RC Stacey.

### 6/08 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1. Apologies for lateness were received from Cllr White who was attending a prior meeting starting at 6.30pm.

### 7/08 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

1. **RESOLVED:** The minutes of 3 July 2008 were approved and signed as a true record.

### 8/08 MATTERS TO REPORT

1. **Play Area Fence & CCTV** – Section 106 funding is still awaited from the developer for the replacement fencing. ECDC has written directly to the developer now as his solicitor is “without instruction”.

**7.11pm** Cllr White arrived to join the meeting.

### 9/08 PLAY AREAS – Update on current status

#### 1. Little Downham -

**1.1 Spectator Shelter** – The offer of re-painting by Community Young Offenders never happened. The Handyman will do this as and when able to depending on weather. Debbie offered her assistance of painting to the handyman. She could also be able to provide scaffolding if required.

**1.2 Green litter bin adjacent to the All Weather Court** – Following the removal of the bin and liner, the Clerk viewed CCTV footage of youths removing the green outer casing and the metal inner container of the litter bin. The initial incident occurred on Saturday, 01/11/08, at around 15:30 - 16:00. The outer casing was used to climb onto the green storage container adjacent to the All Weather Court and was subsequently taken away. Rubbish was tipped out onto the carpark. The outer casing was found on Monday propped up with slabs against the village hall to provide access onto the flat roof. The police were informed.

**1.3 Play Area Wooden Single Gate** - The single gate to the Play Area adjacent to the Pavilion was found vandalised in the afternoon on Wednesday, 5/11/08. The handyman invited PCSO Hall to view the damage at that time. CCTV footage will be viewed to ascertain a timeline on this incident. The gate has been repaired.

**1.4 Pavilion yellow wall mounted waste bin** – The handyman reported that the little yellow waste bin was off the wall and lying on the carpark. Again, CCTV footage will be checked tomorrow to see who is in the area. The handyman has secured it back onto the wall in a difference position.

2. **Pymoor** – Nothing to report on this occasion.

**7.20pm** Cllr Winters arrived and joined the meeting.

3. **To consider Annual Inspection Reports for Little Downham and Pymoor** – Following a consultation with the handyman to review the requirements of the annual reports, the Clerk informed the Committee of the work the handyman is able to do. It was agreed to recommend the purchase of paint and parts, as specified, for the handyman to utilize. It was suggested to consider replacing the floorboards of the roundabout at Lt Downham with painted plywood and the carousel at Pymoor will continue to be monitored.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7.40pm.

Signed ..... (Chairman) Date .....