

OPEN SPACES MINUTES 1ST NOVEMBER 2016

APOLOGIES : Cllr A. Copus,
Cllr D Burden

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A) BUS SHELTER

Site measured with regard to providing a working drawing for minor re-alignment of footpath to simplifying groundworks thereby making costs affordable. BT concrete access panel in middle of proposed shelter site to be investigated Cllr Hanauer to action.

B) SKATEPARK

Cllrs M.P. & R.H. were asked by CDC officers to rationalize evidence given in revised options appraisal with regard to suitability of Pound Street car park, the proposed new site. They also requested sketch designs delineating the approximate area within the car park required. This necessitated Petworth Skatepark project being delayed for presentation to Cabinet until December 2016.

C) FOOTPATH ROUND THE HILLS

Cllr M.S. presented a comprehensive brief regarding options for information boards covering both history and wildlife in the Shimmings Valley. After discussion it was decided that Broxsap provided both the best product and best value for money. A Budget provision of 3,500 pounds was decided upon to cover the two information boards, together with weed killing the path and erection of the Queens Anniversary Kissing gate with a suitable plaque.

D) PHONE BOXES

1. Hampers Green: This box is under imminent threat of removal by B.T. Cllr R.H. has contacted B.T. and applied to adopt the box on behalf of P.T.C. Cllr R.H. to complete this process.
2. Leconfield Hall: De-Fib. Box to have its plaque affixed with vandal proof screws Cllr R.H. to action.
3. Grove Lane: Box has been re-painted Cllr M.P. to investigate appropriate signage for upper glass panels.

E) HAMPERS COMMON

Appropriate signage for both this and Rosemary Gardens to be researched and actioned by Cllr R.H.

Picnic Tables: Grant monies cover the cost of two heavy duty unitary table/bench sets with a 100 pound shortfall. This sum to be requested from Finance Committee.

Litter Bins: Relocation of redundant bin from Rosemary Gardens to be actioned after discussion with Simon Penny.

Verge protection: Site visit to assess necessary works

Mole Draining : Costs to be covered within watershed grant.

French Drain: Works completed 29/10/16. Thanks are due to Digger Rob, Tom and Alex Kemp for giving their equipment and time. French Drain installed to an excellent standard.

ALLOTMENTS

Comprehensive survey by C.K. & M.S. has resulted in all Invoices and explanatory letters going out on time. Redundant/Abandoned plots have been re-allocated to those people on the waiting list. A necessary work schedule has been produced to be actioned by Henry Saxton. A re-mapping exercise using Google Earth is to be carried out. A sum of 5000 pounds is to be allocated for the re-build of the stone wall bounding Grove Road Allotments in 2017 P.T.C. Budget.

FINGERPOSTS

Grove Lane post re-painted and fingers to be completed by Cllr R.H.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

A meeting to be arranged with Henry Saxton to extend his contract where necessary. Foliage and Drain clearance to be actioned. Leconfield Estate to be contacted and urgent action requested to make good the eroded stone wall bounding Angel Street pavement. Unsightly chipboard paneling to be removed. Cllr C.K. to liaise.

CHAIRMANS DISCRETION

Thayres family dedicated bench to be replaced 500 pounds Budget to be allocated towards this. Enquiries to be made as to whether the Thayres family are still extant in the Parish. Cllr R.H. to action.

Meeting closed 20.45 hrs