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FERRING PARISH COUNCIL

Environment, Amenities and Footpaths Committee

(Advisory Powers)

**Minutes of the Environment, Amenities and Footpaths Committee Meeting
held at 7.00pm on Monday 22nd March 2021 via Zoom platform**

Present	Councillors	Clare Royal (Chair)
		Alex Juniper
		Stephen Abbott
	Tree Warden	Philip Ellis
	Conservation Group	David Bettiss
	Guest	Terry Jackson

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	<p>c) Rubbish on the beach – Councillor Clare Royal confirmed that all temporary bins will remain along the beach. The committee requested a temporary bin to be installed at the end of Everlands Close, next to the dog bin. There are no bins between Ocean Drive alley and the pill box. The committee also asked Amanda to speak to Arun District Council regarding their email where they are looking to install plastic bottle recycling bins, compacting litter bins and banners.</p> <p>d) Crack in pavement along Patterson’s Walk – A large crack in the pavement along Patterson’s walk was reported to the authorities, Councillor Clare Royal confirmed that this has been raised as a works order.</p> <p>e) Tree Warden – Councillor Clare Royal confirmed that Phillip Ellis has now been registered with WSCC as the FPC Tree Warden and that he is now on the database.</p>	PO
7	<p>War Memorial</p> <p>a. Paving and jet wash - The Committee agreed that this should be a project and Councillor Alex Juniper agreed to take this on.</p> <p>b. Flag Pole – Amanda highlighted that the loop holes need checking asap before the flag is raised on the 21st April.</p> <p>c. Permanent structure – The Committee agreed that this would be part of the overall project which Alex is overseeing.</p> <p>Councillor Stephen Abbott asked Amanda to relocate the gold paint so that the bollards can be painted and all match.</p>	<p>AJ</p> <p>AJ</p> <p>PO</p>
8	<p>Maintenance Works (FPC Handyman) - Councillor Clare Royal confirmed that the Council have instructed a new Handyman who will be starting on the 1st of April and he will make Warren Pond his first job.</p>	
9	<p>Warren Pond</p> <p>a. Replacement fencing.</p> <p>b. Cutting back – branches overhanging the pond and remove debris in pond.</p> <p>As above</p>	
10	<p>FPC Allotment Site –</p> <p>a) Amanda confirmed that the annual letters would be posted Tuesday the 23rd March with reminders of some of the terms and conditions.</p> <p>b) Councillor Clare Royal asked the committee if someone could resume the annual inspection and report back to the Clerk. Councillor Terry Jackson agreed to do this.</p>	TJ
11	<p>New Projects</p> <p>a) Patterson’s Walk – Councillor Stephen Abbott thought that Councillor Elizabeth Perry was sending her information to Councillor Clare Royal. Councillor Clare Royal will check her spam emails but has not seen anything as yet.</p> <p>b) New location for the rest of the covid 19 snake pebbles – The committee where asked for any idea’s where the remaining pebbles could be placed as a permanent</p>	<p>CR</p> <p>CR</p>

	<p>structure. It was suggested at the FRSA garden in South Ferring. Councillor Clare Royal to ask FRSA if they would like this.</p> <p>c) Benches on the Rife, requested by Tricia Hall – It was acknowledged by the committee that this is Environment Agency land. David Bettiss from the Conservation Group agreed to contact the Environment Agency to ask if perch benches can be added to the Rife.</p> <p>David Bettiss requested a repair to the bench by Ferringham Way which is FPC/Conservation Group property. David confirmed that The Conservation Group would pay half of the repair.</p> <p>d) Other Projects - Village Sign – Councillor Stephen Abbott suggested that the village sign would benefit from being moved to the position of the flag pole because trees hide the sign. He agreed to contact Parks to find out the logistics of moving it.</p>	<p>DB</p> <p>PO</p> <p>SA</p>
12	<p>Rampion 2 – Councillor Stephen Abbott has been in contact regarding the height and distance of the turbines. There are currently no visual graphics available. There is concern that if they are bigger that there will be a massive impact. The committee agreed to keep an eye on any progress and wait until the consultation document comes out. The conservation group are also looking at this.</p>	
13	<p>Parish Clerk Report – including Financial Report: Amanda confirmed amounts left to pay for year end.</p>	
14	<p>Tree Matters: Phillip Ellis confirmed that there have been several tree applications over the winter, unfortunately it is not possible to register an interest with Arun and therefore we do not always know the outcome.</p> <p>Philip said that it would be nice to engage with the Conservation Group to plant more trees in the village. Councillor Stephen Abbott thanked Philip for all his professional reports, they are outstanding, especially on Planning.</p>	
15	<p>Conservation Group Update: David Bettiss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rife has been cleaned up, rubbish removed from both banks. • The unadopted land by Onslow/Rife has been cleaned up. • The Southern Water ground next to Onslow Caravan Park has been chewed up again by large lorries, this had been reported and cleared previously – it now needs reporting again. • The pathways along Onslow Drive to the Caravan Park look terrible, could Amanda check with Nadine on the latest regarding this please. • At the orchard, new trees have been planted to replace the ones that died. • The Conservation Group still want to encourage tree planting; however, land is hard to find. The group are speaking to local nurseries to offer discount to residents to encourage tree planting in their gardens. It is too late for tree planting this year, and some deliveries have been delayed due to Covid 19. Updates will be shown on the website and facebook page. 	<p>PO</p> <p>PO</p>

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16	<p>Urgent matters arising, since the preparation of this Agenda & Items to be referred to next Agenda</p> <p>Councillor Alex Juniper mentioned a lot of vandalism in the village; Sea Lane going right up to North of Ferring. Shrubs, trees and daffodils ripped out of gardens. Councillor Clare Royal said that this is rare in our village and that it is a police matter.</p>	
17	<p>Date of Next Meeting – Monday 22nd March 2021</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 8.25pm</p>	