

**REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 20th MARCH 2007 AT OLD MILL HALL, GROVE**

Present: Cllr K R Clarke (chairman)
Cllr W Evans
Cllr K Jones
Cllr A P Lunn
Cllr J Nunn-Price
Cllr F D Parnell
Cllr B Williamson

Clerk: Mr G M Mundy

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs S Cotton, D M Hadcroft, P L Hadcroft, A Harker and R Hicks-Greene.

2 Declaration of Personal or Personal and Prejudicial Interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Sign report of committee meeting held 6th February 2007

It was **MOVED** the chairman and **RESOLVED** unanimously

“that the report be signed as a true record of the meeting”.

5 Matters arising from the meeting (Item taken out of order)

- a) Item 4 b) – CCTV in Millbrook Square - The clerk had ascertained that neither John Twaites nor Tesco had plans to install CCTV at Millbrook Square.
- b) Item 4 c) – Neighbourhood Watch signs – The clerk informed the committee that he had not yet received a grant application for the Neighbourhood Watch signs.
- c) Item 5 a) – Highway matters – The clerk informed the committee that he had not yet received a further response from the county council regarding the Brereton Drive crossing.
- d) Item 11 a) - Dog waste bin usage – The clerk informed the committee that the contractors had been asked to produce a brief report indicating the usage of dog waste bins.
- e) Item 11 b) – waste bin on the junction opposite Pound Green – Council staff had been asked to monitor this area and report back in three months’ time.

4 Police Matters

- a) Acts of vandalism – The report was noted. The clerk was asked to write to the local police inspector and ask for a report on their monitoring of the areas in Grove covered by the Alcohol Order.
- b) Minutes from NAG meeting held on 22/2//07 – The minutes were noted. The next NAG meeting was to be held at 7 pm on 29th March 2007 at the Vale & Downland Museum.
- c)
 - Correspondence from the Charles Simpson Organisation regarding Westfield Park Homes Estate – The letter was discussed by the committee and the clerk was asked to do the following:

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- To copy the letter to the police and ask them to patrol the area;
- To ascertain, from the county council, what width the public footpath should be through the Park Homes Estate;

11 JET Matters

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th January 2007 were noted.

12 Millbrook Square

The clerk informed the committee that he had received a letter of complaint regarding disabled access into the new Tesco store. He had already informed the owner of the square, who had sent a response to the complainant.

The clerk also informed the committee that the square would now be cleaned at least once a week and the service road at the rear of the shops would be cleaned once a month.

13 To discuss a strategy to provide funding for a PCSO

Cllr Parnell suggested that this discussion be deferred until after the new council was in place. Cllr Nunn-Price suggested and it was agreed that a working party be set up which should report its recommendations to the new council in May. The chairman and Cllr Evans agreed to sit on the working party and the clerk was asked to invite Cllrs Ackers and Harker to join.

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14 To consider continued membership of the Wilts & Berks Canal Trust

It was **PROPOSED** Cllr Jones, **SECONDED** Cllr Evans and **RESOLVED** unanimously

“to continue membership of the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust at a cost of £25 per annum”.

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15 To discuss invitations for the 2007 council reception

Cllr Evans left the meeting.

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The draft invitation list was discussed and amended accordingly.

16 Chairman’s urgent communications

- a) Mably Way Health Centre – bus shelter - Cllr Clarke informed the committee that Cllr Harker had submitted a request for a bus shelter to be installed adjacent to the turning circle in front of the health centre. The clerk is to investigate the planning gain for the health centre with both the county and district councils.

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17 General correspondence

The following general correspondence was noted:

- a) CPRE Fieldwork magazine

The meeting closed at 9.03 pm

Confirmed 15th May 2007

Chairman