



# Gerrards Cross Parish Council

South Lodge, East Common, Gerrards Cross SL9 7AD  
Clerk to the Council - Mrs Diana Hepburn-Park

## Minutes of the Commons Committee Meeting Held 7.00 pm on Monday 7<sup>h</sup> September 2009 at South Lodge

Present: Mr I Gordon(Chairman), Mr D Peters , Mr P Chapman,  
Mrs S Sharma, Mrs L Campkin and Mr P Grimes  
Mrs A Mitton (Assistant Clerk).

- 1 **Apologies for absence** – Mrs J Woolveridge Action
  
- 2 **Review actions from meeting on 6th July 2009.**  
All actions reviewed
  
- 3 **Reports**  
**East Common**  
JW had submitted a written report that stated that she had picked up 5 bags of rubbish, including 45 items that she then recycled.  
There have been a number of complaints from residents of Colston Court about people parking on the grass adjacent to Colston Court. The Committee decided that no action would be taken at this stage as it was felt that the parking was short term for residents using the play area and would probably decline as the colder weather approached.  
The undergrowth around the play area needs to be cut back for safety of children in the area. Clerk to arrange DCHP  
Seat no. 2 and the dog bin near the main path have graffiti on them. Clerk to arrange cleaning. DCHP  
The area that was unsuccessful for wildflowers opposite Marsham Lodge has been mowed and will be added to the regular mowing schedule.  
LC suggested that when the new running route is ready, it would be a good idea to ask a local personality such as Linford Christie to officially open the route to publicise it. This was agreed. PC will co-ordinate with the GXCV to clear any areas around the marker post locations if required. LC  
PC  
An additional/replacement shed was discussed. The GX Traders have proposed to keep the existing shed to store the Christmas lights equipment and look at providing a new shed for the Parish Council to store equipment.PC suggested that when the Christmas trees and lights were taken out of the shed at this year this would be an ideal opportunity to get rid of any unwanted items and would then probably provide enough space for Parish Council items without the need for an additional shed. This was agreed. Clerk to speak to Traders Assoc.



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## Play Equipment

SS reported that the litter bins by the picnic tables were very full today.

The roundabout was moving freely in one direction but not the other.

## West Common

PC reported that there had obviously been a fire between the picnic tables as an area of grass was burnt.

The dog bin on West Common has now been repaired.

The water level on Latchmore Pond is lower.

There seems to be a trend for all day parking in the lay by on the common opposite the Bull Hotel. Committee members were asked ALL to monitor this & report to the next meeting.

## The Camp

PG reported that the Camp is very clean at the moment.

The Valley Way footpath is much improved. The replacement dog bin is still to be installed. Clerk to chase. DCHP

IG reported that the overhanging conifers at the Windsor Road entrance are making it very difficult for large maintenance vehicles to access the Camp safely. It may be necessary to review how much should be cut back.

Fire safety signs were discussed. The Committee agreed not to put up signs as this would probably not stop those who wished to have fires on the Camp.

## GXCV

7 members attended the last working party and worked on West Common opposite Millar place.

## Footpaths

Mike Thomson of the Chiltern Society had kindly provided a list of paths he has inspected. IG to review. IG

## 4 Task list DCHP

### Bulstrode Camp Survey for Ancient Trees.

Report now received. Clerk to email to all committee members.

Clerk to ask Camp Road Residents Association who owns the grass area on the right after the Windsor Road entrance of Camp Road. DCHP

Vandalised bus shelter by underpass. This will be discussed at the next meeting to consider if it should be replaced by a brick shelter.

Footpath on Common from Pinch Point to underpass. Very bumpy. IG  
IG to investigate if this can be improved.

## 5 Finance

Quote no FF14884 from Finland Forestry for Holly clearance at



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£690 +VAT per day. IG to review budget and discuss at next meeting if this is viable.

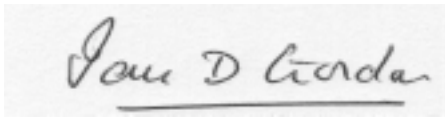
Quote no. FF14883 from Finland Forestry items 1, 2 and 4 approved. IG to discuss items 3 and 5 with Clerk and review finances.

9 **Correspondence**

Note from Valerie Isaacs re residents roadway over common. IG will review.

10 **Date of next meeting** Monday 5<sup>h</sup> October 2009.

The meeting commenced at 7.00p.m. and ended at 8.05 p.m.



Signed:

21<sup>st</sup> September 2009