



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 4th January 2010 at South Lodge

Present: Mr I Gordon(Chairman), Mrs S Sharma, Mr P Grimes, Mrs J Woolveridge, Mr Peter Chapman and Mrs A Mitton (Assistant Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence – Mr D Peters** Action

2 **Review actions from meeting on 7th December 2009.**
All actions were reviewed.

3 **Reports**

East Common

JW reported she had collected 5 bags of rubbish.

There is white graffiti on a bench on the path from the Parish Office to St James church. Clerk has requested John Tuttle to remove.

There have been some tree branches which have been brought down by the recent snow. Bill Collins has kindly cut these up. The GXCV will tidy these branches further when they next meet.

The footpath from the underpass to the pinch point has now been resurfaced. It was generally agreed that this was a great improvement but IG had spoken to one resident who was not happy with the finish to the edges. It was felt that once the grass had regenerated this would solve the issue.

There were signs that a horse had walked on the path but no real damage had been done. There is nothing in the byelaws to prevent a horse being taken on the path but if riders were seen using it they would be politely requested not to.

The gorse on the corner of Packhorse and Windsor road needs to be reduced with a brush cutter. Clerk to contact Mr Randall to arrange work. DCHP

Play Equipment

SS visited the play area this morning. Some of the equipment was a little stiff but this was thought to be due to the very cold weather. Otherwise, no problems.

West Common

PC reported that both Latchmoor and New Pond were completely frozen.

There were signs that a vehicle had skidded off the road into the ditch on the bend near Westgate.

There were three cars parked in the lay-by today that appeared to be



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long term parking rather than visitors to the common.

PC said that some visitors to Gerrards Cross had used the running route and found the markings quite easy to follow. The only slight confusion was the marking for the turn around point on West Common. It may be necessary to amend the sign but it was agreed to wait for further feedback from users before deciding.

The Camp

PG reported that he had seen very little litter.

New litter bin has still not been installed at Camp Road entrance.
Clerk to chase SBDC.

DCHP

Mr & Mrs Keizner have replied to our letter of 20th December regarding the trees at the Camp Road entrance and still seem to have concerns. Clerk to write informing Mr & Mrs Keizner that as the agreed four year plan develops, there will be ongoing consultation with residents.

DCHP

GXCVC

There was no meeting in December but JW confirmed that when the group next meet they will clear up some of the snow damaged tree branches.

Clerk to provide new calendar of dates for 2010 for members.

DCHP

4 **Footpaths**

JW reported more rubbish under the bridge on footpath 23.

5 IG said that illegal motor cyclists were using the bridleway on his land.

Task list

PC to check shed to see if Traders have removed old Christmas Lights equipment.

PC

It was agreed to review the budget to consider if replacing the bus shelter by the underpass was necessary this year or if this could be deferred.

Finance

Mr Randalls invoice no. 19 for mowing and strimming on the commons for 2009 was approved.

6 **Correspondence**

None

7. **Date of next meeting** Monday 1st February at 7.00pm

The meeting commenced at 7.00p.m. and ended at 7.45 p.m.



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Signed:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jane D Gordon'. The signature is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

18th January 2010