



# 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>th</sup> June 2010 at South Lodge

Present: Mr I Gordon, Mr C Brown Mr P Grimes, Mr P Chapman Mrs J Woolveridge, Mrs M May, Mrs L Campkin and Mrs A Mitton (Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence – Mrs S Sharma** Action

2 **Election of Chairman.**  
JW proposed PG this was agreed.

3 **Election of Vice Chairman.**  
PG proposed JW this was agreed.

4 **Review actions from meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2010.**  
These were reviewed.

3 **Reports**

### **East Common**

JW reported she had collected 3 bags of rubbish but otherwise the common was looking very attractive. She had found evidence of a fire in the middle of East Common but this seems to have taken place some time ago.

LC reported that the Fun Run was a great success but it was agreed to suggest to the organisers that in future the road closure of East Common could be partially re-opened between the A40 and Marsham Lane when all runners had completed the course to minimise access problems for drivers.

### **Play Equipment**

SS had submitted a written report.

There was extensive white paint graffiti on the picnic bench also some on the rocker, swings and rubber matting. This has been reported to the police (CRN 3602674/10). Clerk has asked John Tuttle to remove the paint as soon as possible. AM

Some of the pegs in the matting under the aerial runway are lifting. Clerk has asked Paul from Latchmore Garden Care to check pegs and knock them back in. AM

There are signs of fatigue on the plastic seat of the disabled swing. Clerk to check if this is covered under guarantee. AM

Small dead tree near parking bay on East Common. PC will check. PC

### **West Common**

PC reported that Latchmore Pond water level has gone down but not too much. The sign asking people not to feed the ducks is still missing. Clerk has asked John Tuttle to make new sign.



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Lot of litter around benches on Common opposite the Bull Hotel.  
New Pond is looking very nice with lilies on the water and irises at the pond margin. There are some logs in the water. PC will remove PC  
when water level goes down.

## **The Camp**

PG reported no major problems. The dog bins have been emptied.  
Still litter around first bench on the right entering from Windsor  
Road entrance.

PG has cleared brambles on Water Tower and Valley Way  
footpaths.

Email from Sue Jones of residents association asking for a notice to  
be placed on Windsor Road entrance reminding dog owners to  
dispose of dog faeces in the bins provided. This was agreed. Clerk to AM  
organise.

Sue also mentioned the fence down the middle of the Windsor Road  
entrance. Clerk to advise her that the Parish Council have decided  
not to renew as it deteriorates over time.

There was a request to contribute to the cost of salt bins in the road.  
The committee did not feel that this could be justified on a private  
road but will refer this request to the F&GP committee.

Clerk to write to Sue Jones. AM

JW reported that she, Sue Jones and Claire Collins had visited the  
Camp and cut back some of the easier areas following the Camp  
survey. More work is to be done in the winter. Possibly ask the  
GXCV for some help with this.

## **GXCV**

A good area was cleared near the pinch point on East Common at  
the last meeting. PC has purchased some new tools.

## **Footpaths**

4 It was noted that garden waste had been dumped on the Water AM  
Tower path. Clerk to write to owners of cottages to ask them not to  
do so or report anyone seen dumping.

## **5 Task list**

Items to be added to list:-

Resident of Woodbank Ave with property backing onto Valley Way  
footpath has asked for trees to be cut back. IG has visited and  
identified an ash which could be considered for removal. JW to also JW  
visit and see if a quote is required from Finland Forestry to remove  
tree.

Parking on grass area next to Colston Court is still continuing



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despite the installation of a no parking sign. It was agreed to get a quote for installing two low wooden posts and a lockable timber barrier across to entrance near the dropped kerb. Clerk to arrange. AM

**Finance**  
none

6 **Correspondence**

Information re grass cutting contract from SBDC.  
Email from David Baldwin suggesting the installation of No Parking sign on access track from A40 to Latchmore Pond. Mr Baldwin has agreed to pay for this. Clerk to arrange and reply to Mr Baldwin. AM  
Further request from Valerie Isaacs re resurfacing access to properties near Latchmore Pond. PC has already done some work to level unmade track. Will try and do more when surface is softened by rain. Agreed to ask BCC to repair adopted road edge at entrance to unmade area. Clerk to reply to Mrs Isaacs. AM

7. **Date of next meeting** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010 7.00pm

The meeting commenced at 7.00p.m. and ended at 8.00 p.m.

Signed:

21<sup>st</sup> June 2010