

Crowan Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM, PRAZE

ON WEDNESDAY, 21st OCTOBER 2015 @ 7.30pm

Minutes of Council Meetings are available to view on www.crowan-pc.gov.uk; on the Leedstown Notice Board; on Nancegollan and Townshend Village Hall Notice Boards.

Present:	Cllr. Smith (Chairman) Cllr. Roberts	Cllr. Christophers Cllr. Webb	Cllr. Dr. Jenkin
In Attendance:	Cllr. Allen	Cllr. Tunncliffe	Mrs Thompson (Clerk)

Ref. No.	Agenda Item	Action
	<p><u>Chairman's Welcome and Public Forum</u> – the Chairman welcomed those present.</p> <p>It was explained to Mr Brian Andrew, Chair of Praze Christmas Lights Committee that it was the intention for the PC to take over the power supply and pay for the electricity. The other posts can remain, but the boxes should be removed after use. Mr Andrew said in general the equipment needs upgrading.</p> <p>The Clerk will email Mr Andrew with a copy of the letter requesting copies of the Lights Committee's safety certificates.</p> <p>Mr Andrew said they had met with an electrician and provided a copy of his report (copy on file). Work will be undertaken to comply with legislation.</p>	Clerk
AC51/2015	<p><u>Members' Declarations</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Registerable Declarations of Interests</i> – none.</p> <p>b. <i>Non-Pecuniary/Registerable Interests</i> – none</p> <p>c. <i>Declaration of Gifts</i> – Members were reminded they must not accept any gift or hospitality with a value in excess of fifty pounds.</p>	
AC52/2015	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Cllrs. Henwood and Parnell (leave).	
AC53/2015	<p><u>Nancegollan Playing Field</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Any Issues</i> – the Clerk to formally ask Mr Ward to attend the next meeting.</p>	Clerk
AC54/2015	<p><u>Leedstown Playing Field</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Leedstown Play Equipment</i> – on hold until the outcome of the application for a grant for Praze play equipment is known.</p>	
AC55/2015	<p><u>The Plan / Play Area, Praze</u> –</p> <p>a. <i>Christmas Lights</i> – covered by the Public Forum.</p> <p>b. <i>WC / Community Room</i> – Members considered the following:</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">i. <u>Electricity Supply</u> – Cllr. Henwood had reported the electricity is on the same circuit as the street lighting and we are paying for our usage through the business rates. No further action.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">ii. <u>Business Rates</u> – it was confirmed the WC still attracts non domestic rates. The Clerk had requested the VOA to carry out a re-evaluation in view of the fact part of the building is now used as a community room and stands on public amenity land. They had responded by asking for the full billing address, which the Clerk had provided.</p>	

	<p>c. <i>Play Area Refurbishment</i> – Members considered:</p> <p>i. <u>Fencing</u> – the Cricket Club had confirmed verbally that the PC owns the fence. It was RESOLVED to ask Mr Andy Turner for a quotation. Cllr. Smith to meet on site with him.</p> <p>ii. <u>Play Equipment</u> – Minute 162c/2015 refers. It was RESOLVED to authorise Cllr. Smith to complete the Sita grant funding application form. He will circulate this for Members comments, prior to submission. Closing date is 15th January 2016, and a decision will be made on 22nd April. County Cllr. Jenkin to provide a letter of support.</p>	<p>Cllr. Smith</p> <p>Cllr. Smith</p> <p>Cllr. Jenkin</p>
AC56/2015	<p><u>Safety Inspection Reports</u> – the Clerk pointed out that H&S inspection reports are not always available and this could impact on any insurance claim. Cllr. Roberts will carry out the inspection at Nancegollan play area and The Green. Cllr. Smith will carry out the safety inspections for Praze and Leedstown for the next meeting. However, someone is needed to do the latter permanently. The Clerk to provide a copy of the safety inspection. Members declined to employ Cormac to carry out future risk assessments.</p> <p>Members considered the following risk assessments:</p> <p>a. <i>Praze Play Area</i> – Cllr. Smith had identified a number of issues, but none were cause for concern.</p> <p>b. <i>Leedstown Play Area</i> – not available.</p> <p>c. <i>Nancegollan Green and Play Area</i> – not available.</p>	Clerk
AC57/2015	<u>Praze Allotments</u> – it was RESOLVED to remove this item from future agendas until there is something to report.	Cllr. Roberts
AC58/2015	<u>Treasure Park, Leedstown</u> – deferred to the next AC meeting.	Cllr Henwood
AC59/2015	<p><u>Adopt a Kiosk</u> – Minute 143c/2015 refers. BT had invited interest in purchasing underused 'phone kiosks. Those available in Crowan's area are:</p> <p>i. <u>Station Hill, Praze</u> – 11 freefone calls, no chargeable calls and no emergency calls.</p> <p>ii. <u>Nancegollan</u> – 8 freefone calls, no chargeable calls and no emergency calls.</p> <p>iii. <u>Chapel Road, Leedstown</u> – 8 freefone calls, no chargeable calls and no emergency calls.</p> <p>iv. <u>Crowan, Praze</u> – 1 freefone call, no chargeable calls and no emergency calls. Outside the Parish Rooms.</p> <p>v. <u>B3280 at Pen an Ure, Black Rock</u> – 0 calls. Members indicated this is not on a private road.</p> <p>The clerk had clarified that freefone calls are those for which there is no charge to the caller, i.e. 0800 nos. Members declined to take any action.</p>	
AC60/2015	<u>Walters Close</u> – a site meeting had been held with Ocean Housing, who had agreed to consider remedies to the problems with the access from the development to the Leedstown playing field.	
AC61/2015	<u>Committee Membership</u> – it was RESOLVED to recommend to Full Council that Cllr. Allen be co-opted to the Amenities Committee.	
AC62/2015	<u>Date of Next Meeting</u> – 19 th January 2016.	
AC63/2015	<u>Meeting Closed</u> – 20.32pm.	

Signature: (Cllr. Henwood)
Chairman

Date: 12th November 2015