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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday 16th March 2010 Time: 7.30pm Place: Beeding & Bramber Village Hall

Present:	Cllrs S Birnstingl (Chairman), C Bailey, D Coldwell, R Harber, P Kentell, and A Purches.
A:0310:01 <i>Apologies</i>	Apologies were received from Cllrs F Jones (work commitments) and J Shaw (illness). Cllr B Davoudi was absent.
A:0310:02 <i>Questions from the public</i>	There were no questions from the public.
A:0310:03 <i>Declarations of interest</i>	There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest by Councillors on any of the agenda items below.
A:0310:04 <i>Minutes of previous meeting</i>	The minutes of the meetings dated 19 th January 2010 were approved by all present and were signed by the Chairman. <i>Proposed by C Bailey; Seconded by D Coldwell.</i>
A:0310:05 <i>Matters arising</i>	<p>The Clerk reported as follows:</p> <p>A:0709:05 The new swings have been insured for £17,000 (cost for remainder of policy approx £26, annually approx £71). The insurers have confirmed that we do not need a special RoSPA inspection before annual inspection.</p> <p>A:0909:11 As reported to the January meeting, a letter was sent to Springs Smoked Salmon, Edburton on 11-Dec-09 to ask if we can site a noticeboard on their property. We still have not received a response.</p> <p>A:1109:11 Letters requesting proposals and quotations for a trim trail on the playground were issued to 6 suppliers on 09-Mar-10.</p> <p>A:0110:06 The Trees for Shade grant (£400) has been received from WSCC and banked.</p> <p>A:0110:08 WSCC have confirmed that they are happy with us renovating (and in places enlarging) our noticeboards, and that we can erect one on the land at the entrance to the car park opposite the village hall. HDC planning have been asked to confirm that they have no problems with this, but have yet to reply.</p> <p>Regarding the Emergency Committee (A:0110:09) it was noted that Mr Nethercote-Bryant is now seriously ill, and probably unable to assist. Cllr J Peake will therefore progress the matter independently.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to invite the local press to photograph the swings, and arrange for the rough ground left by the contractors to be tidied by the odd-job man.</p>

<p>A:0310:06 <i>Tree Warden's report</i></p>	<p>The Tree Warden reported as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Following discussions with Cllr C Warren, who had himself made a preliminary approach to Mr J Mackley, plans have been drawn up for various tree planting in Small Dole. - It is suggested that a crab apple or rowan be planted in the Bramley playground near the seat.. - Watering must be arranged, and suitable notices will be displayed. - The damage to the lime trees in Hyde Square was noted and photographed. It was recommended that Will Jones be invited to inspect. - Robert Wilburn will be asked to put protective guards round recently planted trees.
<p>A:0310:07 <i>Correspondence</i></p>	<p>No relevant correspondence had been received.</p>
<p>A:0310:08 <i>Items for information or next agenda</i></p>	<p>Cllr P Kentell reported that the school singalong event was a great success. The Clerk reported on the annual meeting of allotment holders (held on 11th March) which passed uncontentiously and uneventfully. The Clerk was asked to write to the appropriate contractors regarding the state of the bank outside Hyde Square following on from the gas main works. It was suggested that the cemetery be added to the next agenda, with the intention of creating a subcommittee to manage it; also suggested were items to deal with bus shelters, the village sign, and mandatory membership by tenants of the Allotment Holders Association.</p>

The meeting closed at 8.25pm. The next meeting will be held at Beeding & Bramber Village Hall on Tuesday 18th May 2010.

Minutes signed by: **Date:**