

**MINUTES - IMPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT and BURIAL  
GROUND COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2009**

**7.30 p.m. at Parish Office, New Road, Impington**

Present: Cllr Pene Nudds (Chair), Denis Payne, Hooda Abdullah, Alison Turnbull  
Co-Optees: Trevor Silk, Ken Doyle, Allison Conder Clerk: Angela Young

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**Action By:**

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

**2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**3. TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING 8 SEPTEMBER 2009**

All approved and signed as correct record

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Bin at New Road Bus shelter Design acceptable

Walkabout due 20 November

**PJN**

Tree plaque for commemorative hornbeam received and to be replaced

Grass Cutting TS had met with Buchans. Extra cut agreed by Chairman/Clerk;

B1049 bed Resident indicated possible need to rebuild adjacent wall; Bulbs

planted, thanks to all; Litter picker now back at work, new timetable agreed;

South Road.Mill Road restored street name now in place, collaborative work with  
Village Society. Next project Roselea, Chequers Road, New Road

**5. SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Recycling Issues PN had met Cty Council representatives, clarification received  
CCC deal disposal process, SCDC collection. Cllr Chatfield pushing for separate

collection opportunities for businesses. DP to raise at SCDC 25 November **DWP**

Tree works Budgets at SCDC cut to £5,000 for the district "emergency works  
only". Discussion on possible exposure of SCDC to insurance problems

Ditch clearance budgets also to be raised 25 November

**DWP**

**6. CAMBS COUNTY COUNCIL**

Walkabout List finalised for 20 November (**Appx 1**). PN outlined approaches  
made to CCC on up-grading requests of footpaths etc. Rebecca Gane SCDC  
confirmed £3,000 "Grab 4 Grants" money available to Impington. PN/IPC to  
direct the scheme – Enviro Volunteers and Probation Services to assist and co-  
ordiante with others e.g. Water Co, Matt Pickering Recycling meeting PN met  
with Cty Cllrs Gymer, Jenkins and CCC representatives. Issues of differing  
plastic collections in City and District explained – dependant on package agreed

**7. TREE WARDEN REPORT**

Tree Warden report received and accepted. (**Appx 2**). Noted:

- Survey also completed in Homefield Park
- Coppice survey due Spring 2010, recommendation yet to be received on  
whether this financial year or next. Budgets next meeting 1 December, PN  
and AC to draw up initial programme **PJN / AC**
- Next year budgets required for surveys on Clay Close Lane and Burial Ground  
and annual re-inspection of other areas
- Follow up works The Copse. AC to request revised document as some errors  
contained. High priority item on HFC Holdings land dealt with by owners.  
Quotes to be sought on items identified in survey, PN and AC to provide list of  
works. AC felt none was high priority. Possible renewal of 7 trees this  
financial year re-iterated **PJN / AC**

- AC to contact Andrew Grimmer regarding progress with trees scheme application. Free supply now understood to be available **AC**
- Committee continued to act on immediate health and safety considerations only, not inconvenience issues
- 2 The Coppice. Quote costs to be included in new budgets

## **8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

(Appx 3). Accepted. Second list item 1-3 for decision. Additional discussion on Litter Pickers – grants available via SCDC for purchase. **AGREED to follow up Top Soil AGREED to be delivered** to Parish-owned land, no additional cost Chipping Agreed to approach Acacia for chipping service 9 January and report back 1 December **Next agenda**

## **9. BT RED KIOSK ADOPTION**

Full Council had asked Environment Committee to make decision on offer to adopt box in Milton Road. BT had clarified queries on ownership, insurance etc. Discussion on opportunities for refurbishment at cost of some £1,500 and alternative of sponsorship. Issue of siting raised, a landmark site preferred. Uses such as public art; tourist information; notice board. Long term maintenance costs negligible. **Agreed an article in Courier (January)** to assess interest. **Agreed to commit to £1 spend and put on insurance policy** at All Risks and consider use as public art once details of use, site, Sec 106 contributions clearer

## **10. NIAB – Public Art Sec 106**

Following discussion on ideas:

- Guided bus stop area – planters, textures, colours, pattern
- Welcome to Impington
- Woodcock memorial site
- Homefield Park gates/railings
- BT red kiosk as above
- Last years ideas: 3d village sign carvings; inserts for pavements

Money provided direct to Parish Council, 3<sup>rd</sup> part grant funding possible. Noted use of Unwins Public Art funds also within Committee remit. Agreed AT, PN and Brian Ing meet to draw up list and work between Environment and Planning Committees. List of priorities and likely funds available then to be circulated to all. Meeting to be sought with Andy O'Hanlon in New Year **AT / PJN / BSI**

## **11. PRIORITIES – Input for meeting due 2 December**

Agreed Environment Committee priorities:

- Public Art
- Homefield Park development; Preservation of our woods
- Increase in Public Open Space
- Pressure on neighbours for appropriate action on environmental concerns
- Greening – need to lead by example as Parish Council
- Community Orchard site
- More allotment space
- Sustainability – draft proofing, insulation etc.

## **12. OTHER REPORTS and CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Elizabeth Woodcock memorial PN looking into renovation following damage SCA Drain reports on plant growth. CCC advised Doctors Close Map to be provided showing drainage to assist management plan

Meeting closed 8.55 p.m. Next meeting **Tuesday 1 December 2009**