

**MINUTES - IMPINGTON PARISH COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT and BURIAL
GROUND COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2009
7.30 p.m. at Parish Office, New Road, Impington**

Present: Cllr Pene Nudds (Chair), Denis Payne, Hooda Abdullah
Co-Optees: Trevor Silk, Ken Doyle. Tony Martin (in part) Clerk: Angela Young

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Alison Turnbull (personal). Allison Conder

2. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETING 17 NOVEMBER 2009

All approved and signed as correct record

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

B1049 planted bed Resident confirms wall to be rebuilt December 2009
Litter Picking / South Road Play Area inspections Mr Smith continues to report.
Liner on bin Cambridge Road released; Play Area equipment requires stain, Site
& Maintenance to quote; Mr Smith to litter pick over B1049 bridge as experiment
and report back monthly; working with SCDC operatives to empty bins on a safe
schedule; quotes from Site & Maintenance staining of seats and bins to be
agreed by Clerk/Chairman

PJN

Chipping service from Acacia in place 9 or 16 January

Andy O'Hanlon meeting for Public Art discussion due 21 January

5. SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Cllr D Payne reported on meetings attended at SCDC 25 and 26 November and
questions raised on budget cuts to ditches and tree maintenance. Specific
questions on recycling of commercial waste yet to be put forward

Trade Waste Paper Collection details of service available at £2.72 per lift. On
hold as preference not to pay for recycling. With agreement of Committee
Chairman suspended standing orders and brought forward item 12a at this stage

6. CAMBS COUNTY COUNCIL

Walkabout carried out 20 November. Matt Pickering leaving role covering Histon
and Impington at CCC. Delivery of top soil for Doctors Close now cancelled,
some due for use on verges

Request for re-instatement of New Rd footpath following relaying of crossing
Any issues with street light columns, including vegetation can be reported by
residents on street.lighting@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Parish Paths Partnership (P3) 2010/11 invitation. Noted, no action

7. TREE WARDEN REPORT

Tree Warden written report received and accepted. Noted:

- Tree works application for re-pollarding lime trees in Villa Road. No comment made as part of ongoing management works
- Budgets - follow-up tree works to Copse (quotes being sought), survey work next spring for Coppice, follow-up surveys in spring or any trees identified in report by Hayden's as requiring annual monitoring, tree pack next year
- Girl Guides wish to plant a centenary tree, Homefield park offers the best opportunity, perhaps a walnut or replacement commemorative hornbeam

Budgets for tree works:

2009-2010: Any quoted work at Copse required within 6 months; Hedge pack

2010 – 2011: Survey for Coppice and any work highlighted within 6 months; more hedge packs; 6 The Coppice (work identified)

8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

No written report. Agreed to accept an "outstanding items" list (Appx 1) to be used as aide-memoire for items to be completed by end of financial year Streamlining. Cllr Nudds and Clerk to present draft and Terms of Reference next meeting. Cllr Nudds outlined ideas for administrative streamlining **PJN**

9. HICCA REPORT

Written report provided (Appx 2). Monitors grant of £347.83 remained, to be spent in short term. 1010 Initiative – following discussion agreed not to progress and put energies into supporting HICCA in the wider community

10. BURIAL GROUND REPORT

Burial Fees review report provided (Appx 3). Agreed to:

- Increase fees by approx 15% as put forward
- Non residents (proving a strong connection) to increase multiplier to x4
- No longer to reserve plots unless a first burial being carried out

All with effect from 1 January 2010. Agreed to investigate issue of decreasing Exclusive Rights of Burial from 99 years to say 40 years for next review

Management Plans and Policies Deferred

Cherry Tree No action required

Groundsman application for further year in post to Feb 2011. Agreed

11. BUDGETS FOR PRECEPT COMMITTEE 2010 – 2011

Following some discussion and input, agreed Cllr Nudds and clerk to meet and decide all roll-forward items and new projects to present to Finance Committee. To include additional/new budget for HICCA related items; Public Art (own category); improvements to community areas **PJN**

12. OTHER REPORTS and CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Report from PCSO Martin on safety issues at Coppice. Standing orders had been suspended. Following burglaries in Coppice area, PCSO Martin had home visited residents with offers of security advice and opportunities. Suggestion made for lighting improvements and agreed to make a written request to Chris Sproston at CCC asking for bright white lights instead of orange, for PFI bed. PCSO Martin to provide other areas in Histon and Impington that may benefit from this

Regarding wooded areas, tree works had recently been carried out by CCC which should improve visibility

Parking near to Coppice entrance PCSO Martin following up complaints. "Polite" notices to be provided to residents for appropriate use

Homefield Park/Recreation Ground Short report from PCSO Martin on pattern of use by youngsters

Eliza Woodcock Memorial up-date Cllr Nudds reported on correspondence with Chivers Farms on ownership and siting. Village Society remained keen to help restore the memorial and various ideas for access and interpretation boards put forward. Cllr Nudds to progress **PJN**

S Gill Repairs to broken jockey wheel on equipment loaned to Probation Service for work in Burial ground. To be reimbursed £69.45 + VAT.

Allison Conder indicated may wish to stand down as IPC Tree Warden. Cllr

Nudds to meet and discuss

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13. Items for Next Agenda

Crossing Keepers Hut up-date
Date of next meeting 2 February 2010. Meeting closed 9.20 p.m.