

## CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
**ENVIRONMENT AND AMENITY COMMITTEE**  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER  
ON TUESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2008 AT 8.00 pm

Present Cllr Seeley in the Chair A Taft – Minute Taker  
Cllrs Birch, Brading, Dann, C Jefford, Martin, Shafe and Vassiliou  
Voting Members: 8  
Public: 2

The Clerk was not present at this meeting as he was in hospital

EA506/08

### Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Norman

EA507/08

### Declarations of Interest

The Chairman recommended that declarations of interest be made throughout the meeting if necessary.

EA508/08

### Representations from the Public

Mr Munroe had attended in order to make representations about the basketball classes but the Chairman asked if he would come to the December meeting instead and he agreed. The Chairman added that this committee would be discussing their budget items in detail then.

EA509/08

### Minutes

It was proposed by Cllr Shafe and seconded by Cllr Jefford that the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 October 2008 be approved as correct. The proposal was agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

EA510/08

### Matters Arising

EA496/08 (EA485/08; EA474/08; Active Works List). It was asked whether the Clerk had written to Hertfordshire County Council, TRDC, Countryside Management Service and the Guild of Sport to offer services such as litter picking, weeding, strimming and tree work in return for payment. Amanda Taft said that to her knowledge this had not been done. It was asked if this could be added to the list of correspondence to be written so that Members could keep track of it.  
*[Post meeting note: the correspondence log has now been created.]*

EA502/08 (Play Equipment for Play Areas in Croxley Green). It was asked if Cllrs Martin and Shafe had put together their plan for the play areas yet. Cllr Shafe advised those present that as yet they had not but she had sought the views of Junior Councillors earlier this afternoon and they had said that they would like lots of climbing and physical adventure type items.

EA511/08

### Active Works List

The Chairman introduced this item and referred Members to the Active Works List that had been circulated with the Agenda. One Cllr mentioned that he had compared last month's active works list and the proposed works for October did not tally with the works undertaken in October. It was considered that maybe an annual management plan for works would be a good idea and would also be useful for budgeting purposes and for claiming money for works undertaken.

EA512/08

### Budget 2009/2010 and beyond

This item was introduced by the Chairman who said that there was nothing further to be reported since the Council meeting of 30 October 2008 (CC578.4/08 refers). The Chairman asked that proposals be presented at the December Environment

and Amenity meeting. Concerns were expressed about 'double taxation' to which a Member replied that it was acceptable for the Parish Council to enhance a Three Rivers District Council service but that growth items should have compensatory savings.

EA513/08 Village of the Year 2009

The Chairman introduced this item and Amanda Taft informed those present that the CPRE had set an upper limit on the population for entering villages of 5,000. Unfortunately this means that Croxley Green is not eligible to enter the competition. Amanda Taft had asked the CPRE if they knew of any other similar competitions the Parish Council could enter and she was currently waiting for their response. The schools can still enter the poster competition and the CPRE will be contacting them directly about this.

EA514/08 Tree Bulletin

There were no tree works to be reported.

EA515/08 Closure

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.36pm.