

WESTERLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ENVIRONMENT & LEISURE COMMITTEE
8th December 2014
HELD AT MANORHALL, COALPIT HEATH

Present: Councillors: J Butler, D Boulton, J Wright, D Lee,
Officer – F Thornton Clerk/RFO

1. **Apologies for absence**

Cllr P King, E Carey,

2. **Declarations of Interest under The Localism Act 2011**

None

3. **Bitterwell Lake – Mr T Smith to attend to give update to Lake/Chalet and to answer any questions**

Mr Smith reported:

Chalet – still needs to finish off decoration works but it is now water tight and warm. The garden is the next priority. He intends to remove the hedging at the rear of the Chalet (by the water overflow) and replace with trellis to give greater visibility into the Lake. New fencing has been erected at the front of the Chalet. Finally, he intends to cut the conifers on the corner of the Chalet garden plot, adjacent to Henfield Hall. This will give greater visibility to the Hall and car park. (He will liaise with the Hall management committee prior to carrying out this work).

Lake – the water is looking much healthier than when he first took it on; he is now trying to arrange netting of the fish to ascertain the levels and mix of fish.

The side pedestrian gate has now been removed. Rubbish should not be a problem moving forward as he has placed a large wheeled container on site.

Finally, fishing numbers have slowed down now, but there are a Christmas fishing matches booked.

Clerk to arrange electrical inspection now all the major internal works to the Chalet are complete.

4. **To approve minutes of the meetings held 13th October 2014**

Decision: proposed by Cllr J Wright and seconded by Cllr D Boulton to approve the minutes. Agreed by all. The minutes were signed by the Chair.

5. **Matters Arising**

Boundary Stone – no update

6. **Committee to receive update to future youth provision within the parish and to consider what/if any financial contribution to make**

Committee were issued with minutes of Frampton Cotterell Parish Council meeting of 5th November 14, summary notes of the meeting held with Youth Worker (who has been requested to conduct a survey amongst young people in the area), and a flyer issued by M Crompton entitled 21st Century Youth Project.

Decision: Proposed by Cllr D Lee and seconded by Cllr D Boulton that this Council will support the investigation costs but that any future funding will be dependent on the findings and the venue.

Agreed by all.

7. **Centenary Fields – committee to consider entering war memorials into scheme**

Committee were issued with an article outlining the Centenary Fields Programme to safeguard in perpetuity our war memorial parks, playing fields and other green spaces in memory of those who lost their lives in World War

Decision: Westerleigh Village Green and war memorial to be entered into scheme.

8. **Gateway signs for parish – committee to consider**

Deferred until January meeting

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9. Committee to comment on planning applications

There were no applications for consideration

10. Committee to approve payments

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Gross (£)</u>	<u>Net (£)</u>
Head Groundsman	Grounds maintenance contract	824.22	824.22

Decision: proposed by Cllr J Wright and seconded by Cllr D Boulton agreed by all, the payments were approved.

11. Items of Report

(Items can be discussed but members can make no decisions – a council cannot lawfully decide any matter which is not specified in the summons.)

There were no items of report

12. Date of Next E&L Committee Meeting – 23rd March 2015

Signed

Date: 19th January 2015