

HERNE & BROOMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Herne & Broomfield Parish Council Environment & Leisure Committee held at Herne Mill, Wootton Room, on Thursday 5th February 2015 at 7.30pm, for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Cllr Taylor, Cllr Blatherwick, Cllr Sargent, Cllr Rafferty, Cllr Nicholson and Cllr Saunders.

01/15	To co-opt Cllr Saunders onto the committee. This was agreed by all.
02/15	Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Tracey & Robert Jones, Cllr Davis, Cllr Nicholson and Paul Parker.
03/15	To receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda. None
04/15	The minutes of the meeting held on 20th November 2014 were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.
05/15	Matters arising. Serco have now provided a quote for spraying the hard surfaces and spot spraying the thistles at a cost of £1,957. This is concurrent funding expenditure and the clerk has asked them to carry out the work as the funding needs to be spent by the end of March 2015.
	Public Adjournment. Members of the public asking questions on the agenda should give their name and address. None Present
06/15	Report Children's party and float and feedback. The clerk reported that the party held on 6th December at the Institute Hall was a great success. Just over 50 children between 4-8 attended as well as some younger ones. Quite a few parents stayed with the children and they also enjoyed the entertainment. There was a hitch with the disco as they had all their music etc on computer and they had a computer crash. The Disco section was a bit chaotic to say the least. Thanks to Paul & Bunny Parker for providing the Disco and carrying on despite the difficulties with the computer and the fact neither were very well. Following this the children sat down for their party food. Sandwiches, sausage rolls, sausages, crisps and lots of cakes and biscuits were enjoyed by all. Once finished the children were sat down to watch Pip the Clown do her magic. The remaining food was offered to the parents who stayed, along with tea and coffees. The helpers very kindly started clearing tables and putting them away. Once Pip had finished Father Christmas arrived on the float and came into the hall to distribute presents to the children. This took some considerable time as he spoke to each of them and posed for photo's. Once every child had received their present Father Christmas returned to the float. Thanks to City Cllr Peter Vickery Jones for doing this. The clerk thanked all the volunteers, Pat Brealy, Carol Clark, Linda White, Sheila Day, Bill Whiffen, Cllr Blatherwick and family, Cllrs Robert & Tracey Jones, Cllr Harvey, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Hobbs and husband Doug, Cllr

	Davis and her husband Trevor and the clerks husband Mark. Thanks also to wardens Michelle and David who made sure that children were checked in and left with the right people! The clerk reported that she had successfully applied for a grant towards the cost of the party, from the Linda Hogan Community Fund, £100, and she had also received £100 from County Cllr Marsh from his Community pot. The float looked spectacular, with lots of lights, thanks to Cllrs Sargent, Nicholson and Rafferty for the work carried out to make it look so good. Thanks also to Paul Parker for the sound system. The float toured Herne on Sunday 7th December, the clerk reported that she had received one complaint from a resident who waited at Lower Herne Green and didn't see the float. The clerk explained that it goes from Strode Farm to Bullockstone Road, therefore it doesn't go past the green. The response was that it doesn't say that on the route details! Otherwise the feedback from people who have seen the float has been very good. Thanks to Cllrs Sargent, Nicholson and Rafferty for taking the float out and all the other volunteers who have accompanied. The float toured Broomfield on Saturday 13th December and was used by Rotary on 14th December. Thanks to Andrew Brealy for the loan of a generator. The feedback on both the party and the float was good. The advertised timings of the float need to be looked at for this year. The float and the caravan still need a new home and covers are to be purchased for both. Cllr Rafferty will order covers. Cllr Sargent will ask Jackson Motors if they could find space for storage of both.
07/15	Report on Race Night and possible additional events. Despite a slow start with bookings there were over 70 people who booked. It was a lot of fun and the feedback from those who attended was very good. Many have asked when the next one will be held! Perhaps late September early October would be quite good. The clerk will find out what dates are available re hall and Brian Samuels. The hot food was welcome and was nice and hot when it was distributed. There were a couple of people who had paid and due to illness were unable to attend, their food was distributed to anyone who wanted it. A total of £440.90 was raised on the night this included £91 from the raffle. Thanks to Cllr Hobbs for all her efforts selling the raffle tickets. Thanks also to Michelle the warden and the clerks husband Mark for helping to distribute the food and to all those who helped collect up the rubbish afterwards. Thanks must also go to Brian Samuels and his helpers for running the Race Night and helping to raise funds for both the Community Centre and Kent Air Ambulance. 20% of the profit will go to KAA. It was a very good night and a great deal of fun. Perhaps another Bingo and Beetle Drive could be organised. It was agreed to hold another Bingo night, Cllrs Robert and Tracey Jones would be asked to run this.
08/15	To discuss Garden Safari. The meeting for people to open their gardens had to be postponed due to many being unable to attend and the bad weather that was forecast this will now be held on 13th February. It looks like there are going to be approx 15 gardens opening including the schools. It would be good to have some new ones as all have opened before. All

	members were asked to try and get someone new to take part. Cllr Davis will produce the programme and map.
09/15	To discuss Family Fun Day , Changes to application forms, terms and conditions, stall fees and format of the day etc. Cllr Rafferty & Cllr Davis have looked at the application forms. - Changes have been made to both trade and local organisation forms. Cllr Rafferty has updated the Risk Assessment and the Event Management Plan. The clerk will try to get the forms to CCC in the next week. The clerk had been asked about reducing the cost for local residents who wanted a stall, those who weren't really a business. It was agreed that they would pay the same as the charities and local organisations £15 for a 3x3 stall. The clerk also reported to members that not all these type of stall holders would have insurance, it was agreed to recommend to them that they had insurance for one off events. Cllr Rafferty told members that a foam fire extinguisher and bucket of sand would be required on the day. Cllr Sargent said he could provide the fire extinguisher. Cllr Saunders will make inquiries regarding the availability and cost of Birchington Silver Band and the Sea Cadets band. It was suggested that local dance groups, the Village singers and the Karate club be asked to do a display. It was agreed not to have the bands Bottles and Driftwood this year. The clerk will request funding from County Cllr Marsh's member fund for the fun day. Michelle Weston's father had offered to source prizes and run the tombola's. The clerk will send out application forms to all those who attended last year.
10/15	Members reports and correspondence received by the clerk. The clerk has received a request from a Mountain Bike club who would like to offer training at the track on a Saturday from 10-12, she has put them in touch with BMX chairman and asked them to inform the council of the outcome. Request from Ann Berry for cakes for the Flower Demonstration being held to raise money for Community Centre on 20 th February. Cllr Taylor will make an orange cake, Cllr Rafferty will make a cheesecake, Cllr Sargent will provide a cake and Cllr Hobbs will make a tea loaf. A request for information was received from Claire Browne regarding information on local ponds, this has been passed on to Cllr Davis.

Meeting closed at 8.40pm