



WILLAND PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN WILLAND VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2017 AT 20:17

Present: Councillor Grantham, Councillor Sellick, Councillor Warren, Councillor Wilcox, Clerk K Taylor,

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Bartlett, Councillor Mander, Councillor Phare, Councillor Tobin
2. The Chairman opened the meeting at 20:17 and announced that it would be recorded.
3. There were no members of the public present.
4. The minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on Thursday 23 February 2017 had been previously circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Warren seconded by Councillor Wilcox, and unanimously agreed that they be signed as a true and correct record.

5. Progress reports for information

- a) Southview play area application Councillor Warren reported that this had been well received by MDDC & a decision is expected at the end of March.
- b) Devon Air Ambulance Night Landing light has been installed – the helicopter landed during the parish council meeting to test it out and the light worked.
- c) Village Hall Clock has been removed and the wall had to be resurfaced and repainted.

6. Improving the state of the village campaign

- a) The Jubilee Parish field – maintenance & repair
It was agreed that the frame for young children needed refurbishment. Councillor Warren & Councillor Grantham undertook to make enquiries from their contacts to see how this could be best achieved. **ACTION:** Councillor Grantham/Councillor Warren

Councillor Grantham reported on the work he had done on the field surface following the installation of the light. There had been a suggestion that the field should be rolled but advice had been received against this, so it was agreed this would not be done. It was noted that the goal mouths were well worn but it was agreed that as the children would not keep off it there was little that could be done. It was noted that the goal posts need painting and refitting and this will be done by the handyman.

ACTION: Councillor Grantham/Clerk

- b) The Skateboard ramp had been removed as it was judged to be dangerous. Following discussion, it was agreed that Councillor Grantham would investigate the costs of repair to the ramp and also the cost of replacing it or having a completely new piece of equipment. It was noted that the surface is damaged and something must be done to improve this. The Clerk reported that £2718.45 was left in the S106 pot of money which could be used to enhance the play areas. **ACTION:** Councillor Grantham

7. Councillors Roundtable

There had been a request from the Planning Obligations Monitoring Officer that the Parish Council provide some projects suitable for allocating future S106 money to. The information required would be project title, project location, very brief outline of proposed works and an

approximate cost. Following discussion, it was agreed that this would be on the next Full Council meeting agenda and that all Councillors would consider ideas to put forward.

ACTION: ALL

Councillor Warren reported that on 7th March Councillor Warren and Councillor Grantham had attended the Environment PDG and asked a number of questions and were told they would be given written answer to all their questions. So far nothing has been received, and it was agreed that if a reply has not been received by Tuesday 28th then a letter of complaint would be sent to the Chief Executive.

Meeting Closed 20:51

Councillor Keith Grantham
Chair of Environment Committee