

CHEPPING WYCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

AMENITY LAND COMMITTEE

AGENDA


THURSDAY 13 MAY 2010

The meeting will commence at 7.30 pm at the Council Office, Cock Lane, Tylers Green, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, HP10 8DS

Membership to be appointed at Council on 11 May 2010

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1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** At the time of the agenda distribution, apologies for absence have been received by, subject to Membership, D Johncock (Holiday) and C Dodds (Holiday).
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** To receive any declarations of interest by Members pertaining to Agenda Items.
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H R O Jones
Clerk of the Council
6 May 2010

AGENDA ITEM 3

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The Council owns this land, which is registered as Village Green and lies within a Conservation Area.

TYLERS GREEN COMMON

Rays Lane: Condition of Track – CONSIDERATION

A number of ongoing concerns have been raised about the condition of the tracks on Rays Lane, Tylers Green Common. Following previous Committee site visits, the Council had adopted the following policy:

“the Council’s policy for those residents asking for repairs to be made to the tracks on Tylers Green Common be as follows:

- *the Council had no planned Budget to undertake the work and was not bound to maintain the tracks for Vehicular use; and*
- *the Council would grant permission for interested residents to pay for the desired work to be undertaken (but at specifications to be approved first by the Council).”*

Some residents have been addressing the problem directly (without Council’s prior approval) and this has caused their neighbours concern.

It is suggested that Rays Lane be included in the Committee’s site visit on 1 July 2010.

It is further noted that the Committee Budget for 2010/11 in relation to the Common’s management is £2,000. There is a reserve fund of £7,000 available.

Members are asked to consider any appropriate action relating to Rays Lane, Tylers Green.

Tylers Green Common Management Plan Working Group - CONSIDERATION

Last year, the Council’s representatives on the Tylers Green Common Management Plan Working Group were:

Ms K Wood (Chairman)
I Forbes
Ms J Johnson
C Harriss
J Herschel

Members are asked to appoint representatives to sit on the Tylers Green Common Management Working Group for the 2010/11 Council Year.

AGENDA ITEM 4

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The Council owns this woodland. The land is maintained in conjunction with the Council's Forestry Consultants, UPM Tilhill.

KINGSWOOD

UPM Tilhill: Management of Kingswood – INFORMATION

Members are asked to receive a verbal update report from the Clerk in relation to:

- tree felling (and blocked paths);
- progress in obtaining grant funding towards the extension of the disabled access path in Kingswood;
- Bridleway clearance – Community Payback; and
- Year 6 Middle School Citizenship initiative.

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FENNELS WOOD

Fennels Wood: Ownership and Management of Wood – CONSIDERATION

At the meeting on 2 February 2010 it was agreed that the Chiltern Society and Woodland Trust be asked whether they would be willing to support the Parish Council in an approach to the current owner of Fennels Wood in an enquiry as to whether the wood could be jointly purchased by the three organisations for future management.

Whilst the Woodland Trust agreed to provide moral support only, the Chiltern Society did express an interest in pursuing the notion. However, a copy of the owner's Solicitor's letter to the Clerk of 4 May 2010 (**APPENDIX A**) together with his letter of 25 February 2010 (**APPENDIX B**) are attached which clearly indicates that the wood is not for sale nor likely to be in the future.

Members are asked to consider any further action concerning J White's proposals regarding the ownership and management of Fennels Wood and to advise accordingly action.

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COMMITTEE SITE VISIT

Amenity Land Committee Site Visit - CONSIDERATION

Members are reminded that the Committee Site Visit is scheduled to take place on:

Thursday 1 July 2010 commencing at 7.00 pm at Widmer Pond, Tylers Green Common

Requests have been received by the Council to consider:

- The condition of the tracks on Rays Lane.

In addition, Members are asked to consider additional sites for inspection (including any matters arising elsewhere within this agenda).

Members are asked to agree a schedule of inspection for the Site Visit on 1 July 2010.

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COMMITTEE FINANCES

Income and Expenditure – INFORMATION

Members will find attached a copy of the Detailed Income and Expenditure Report for the Committee (**APPENDIX C**) together with a summary of the Council's Ear-Marked Reserves (**APPENDIX D**).

Members are asked to note the contents of the reports and to be updated by the Clerk, as appropriate.

Where questions arise on the Committee's finances, it is extremely helpful if these can be put to the Office at least two days before the date of the Committee meeting in order to allow any research using the Finance Package or external advice to be obtained.

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ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Approval of Accounts for Payment - CONSIDERATION

The Accounts for Payment are to be circulated at the meeting for the approval of Members.

Members are reminded to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interests in any items submitted for payment.

Members of the Press and Public are asked to be excluded from the meeting for the consideration of any Confidential Payments, such as payments to members of the Council Staff.

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DELEGATED ACTION

Delegated Action - INFORMATION

Since the last meeting of Amenity Land Committee the Clerk has authorised and processed the following permits:

- Flackwell Heath Residents' Association to erect a gazebo for the village litter pick on 12 June 2010 at School Green Flackwell Heath (08 04 10);
- Thames Valley Orienteering Club to use Kingswood for Orienteering in 24 October 2010 (30 03 10); and
- Penn & Tylers Green Football Club to use Tylers Green Common for overflow parking on 2 & 3 May 2010 (22 03 10).