

FSPC OPENS SPACES AND BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting held on 21st October 2014 at the Fradley Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs H Warburton Chairman, S Lee (Vice Chairman), Mrs Beaumont, A Ford, S Roberts, Mrs V Evans (Clerk)

APOLOGIES:

Action

1 Apologies

1.1 None

2 Declarations of interest on Agenda items

2.1 None

3 Minutes of the Last Two Meetings

3.1 The minutes of the inaugural meeting were dated 7 May rather than 7 June

3.2 **RESOLVED:** to accept the minutes as a true record, save for the above correction

4 Status of the Committee

4.1 Members decided that the BKV and open spaces remit required the establishment of a Council committee with the Chairman as ex officio Chairman of the committee

4.2 Members were reminded that this meant that they were bound by the codes and regulations which would apply to the Council

4.3 Members were also keen to confirm that meetings would be open to the public

4.4 Members felt that commencing at 6.30 pm on Council nights would be an efficient use of their time and that inviting attendance from the public might encourage some to stay for the following Council meeting

4.5 Cllr Roberts would activate the list of volunteer contacts that he obtained from the inaugural meeting

4.6 Cllr Roberts suggested that hiring of equipment as this would be accompanied by the relevant safety equipment and it negated any issues relating to storage or damage of Council owned equipment

4.7 Cllr Roberts also indicated that he could help with securing any other safety equipment eg hi vis vests and he did have some knowledge of general safety procedures which he could provide to the Clerk SR

4.8 Cllrs felt that, at this time, they should set aside £300 from this year's budget to cover expenses and sponsorship should be sought from local businesses to supplement this VE

5 Informing the Community

5.1 Issues and news would be included in "The Link" and disseminated via the email group referred to in point 4.5 above

5.2 It was agreed that the feedback from John Perry (BKV) should be posted on the Council's website as there were some positive comments

5.3 Cllr Mrs Beaumont felt that covering comments should be added to challenge those who had been completely negative with regard to the entry to the BKV competition and other Members agreed wholeheartedly

5.4 It was decided that a future item for discussion should be the boundary of the application ie to include areas outside the village

6 Dates

6.1 The next meeting would create a calendar for the coming year including the free tree planting which would need to take place next month

Chairman, 18 November 2014

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