

Seascale Parish Council
Minutes
of the
Meeting of the Amenities Committee
held on
Wednesday 10th December 2014 at 7pm
in Seascale Fire Station

Present Chair Cllr Eileen Eastwood
Members Cllr Brian Goulding
Cllr David Ritson
Cllr Kenneth Mawson

Item Clerk Mr Ian Turner

1 Apologies

Cllr Christopher Taylor

2 Announcements from the Chair

None

3 Declarations of Interest by Councillors in respect of Agenda Items

None

4 Minutes of the previous meeting of the Amenities Committee of 10th September 2014

These were passed unanimously as fair and accurate.

5 Actions arising from the previous meeting of 10th September 2014

5.1 Cllr Goulding informed the meeting that he had passed photos of damage to the BMX track on to Cllr Eastwood.

5.2 The Chair asked the Clerk to invite Sgt Stuart Burgess to attend the next Parish meeting, to discuss patrol around the BMX track. The Clerk **agreed** to do this.

5.3 The Chair informed the Committee that the bench intended for the beach front had not yet been installed by Cllr Moore.

6 Public participation

None

8 To receive a report on the BMX track

8.1 On the matter of contact with the 'Shackles Off' user group, the Clerk reported that he had had no response from them.

8.2 Cllr Eastwood **agreed** to seek quotes for repairing the track surface.

8.3 The Committee considered whether it might be advisable to erect more cautionary signs around the area.

9 To consider matters relating to festivities in the Parish

The Committee made detailed arrangements for the switch on of the Seascale

Christmas lights display.

- 10 To consider the matter of employing a 'lengthsman' for the Parish**
Cllr Eastwood **agreed** to look into the matter.

7 To receive a report from the Footpaths Sub-Committee

The Clerk informed the Committee that he had had contact with Ms Hazel Wainwright regarding the gabion obstructing Footpath 426017. The email stated the wish for the Parish to match-fund a project to improve the access to the beach at that location. The Chair asked the Clerk to write back with their view, that it was not something that they felt they could agree to at this time. The Clerk **agreed** to do this. The Committee expressed a wish to seek clarity on policy regarding the spending of Parish funds in matters like this.

11 Urgent items raised by Councillors

- 11.1** Cllr Mawson raised the continuing issue of the proliferation of rabbits in the Parish. The Clerk informed the Committee of his continuing efforts to contact someone in authority at Network Rail.

- 11.2** Cllr Eastwood said that dog faeces were becoming a larger problem in the village.

12 Schedule for the upcoming meeting of the Amenities Committee

The next meeting will be held in Seascale Fire Station at 7pm on Wednesday 10th March 2015.