

Girton Parish Council

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Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held at Cotton Hall on Monday 13th July 2009 at 8pm

Action

Present: Cllrs Gordon (Chairman), Clift (Vice Chairman, GPC), Godby, Bullman, Martin, de Lacey, and Martin Harnor and George Thorpe.

In attendance: Robert Stone (Clerk).

Items

09/70 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, and introduced Martin Harnor as a new member of the Committee.

09/71 Apologies

Colin Carr

09/ 72 Declarations interest relating to of items on the agenda

None

09/73 Public Participation session on Agenda items & matters of mutual interest

No member of the public were present.

09/74 Correspondence

Town End Close	Street Works Licence received.
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09/75 That the minutes of the Environment Committee meetings held on 22nd June 2009 be signed by the Chairman as an accurate record.

Approved and signed as a true record.

09/76 Matters arising from minutes:

09/62 Co-opted members	Martin Harnor has advised the Chairman he is content to be co-opted to the Committee
09/64 Girton black squirrel logo	Clerk has sent artist extract from minutes advising on the Committee's requirements.
09/65 Redesign of village centre	Recycling not placed on Council agenda pending an exploration of the different options.

09/77 To finalise the squirrel logo subject to art work being available from artist.

The art work was not available. Item deferred until next meeting.

09/78 To agree the wording for the signs at Town End Close.

The following wording for an A4 sign was agreed:

Town End Close
Girton Parish Nature Reserve

This field was given to the people of the Parish of Girton in 1993
by David and Margaret Wallace.

This area is dedicated to the conservation of wildlife;
It was also given so that visitors might enjoy peace and quiet.

- Keep to mowed paths in summer.
- Do not feed or disturb any grazing livestock.
- Children should be aware of the danger of the pond.
- Dogs not allowed access under any conditions.
- Respect all wildlife.
- Take all litter home.

Thank you.

By order of the Clerk to Girton Parish Council

A number of points for future action were noted:

- (i) The sign should incorporate Girton new black squirrel logo when finalized.
- (ii) Bird boxes should be put up in the reserve in the autumn.
- (iii) Trees to be taken out in the hedgerow along the Woody Green boundary as part of the contract being arranged by Cambridgeshire County Council's Rights of Way Officer would be marked.

Clerk
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09/79 To receive the quotes for work at Smithy Green and select a contractor.

Deferred until the next meeting pending receipt of a third quote.

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09/80 To agree a style of bus shelter at Girton Corner as part of budgeting for 2010/2011.

Several photographs of a suitable bus shelter in Cottenham were circulated for comment. This design had been costed from £2400 to £3025. Perch seating was available. The positioning of the shelter needed to be carefully considered to provide access for buses, shelter passengers, and permit use of the pavement by pedestrians. The footpath was 2.6m wide, and a 1.2m walkway was needed for pushchairs and wheel chairs.

Prior to making an order a site survey would be needed by the company, and inquiries made of the statutory undertakers to determine whether service pipes were present under the pavement at that point.

The Chairman would discuss action points with the Clerk.

Cllr Gorc

09/81 To consider the quotes for tree works at Mayfield Triangle and decide which to accept.

It was agreed to accept the cheapest quote of £145 from Paul Laston.

Clerk

The meeting ended at 9.00pm.

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 27th July 2009.