

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LEEDS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Held on in the Village Hall on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at 7.30pm.**

Present: Mr Bubb  
Mrs Fort  
Mrs Graham  
Mrs Harrison

In attendance: Mrs Sherrie Babington – Clerk and Public.

The meeting was chaired by Councillor Harrison.

**1. Apologies.**

Apologies were received from Councillors Cutler, Finlay and Aitken.

**2. Declaration of Interests.**

No interests were declared.

**3. New Councillors Declaration of Acceptance of Office.**

In the absence of Mr Aitken, this item was deferred until the next meeting.

**4. Public Comments.**

It was reported by a member of the public that campers had been seen at the playing field. This was discussed and it was agreed that new signs should be placed at the site stating that no camping was allowed.

***Action: Councillor Harrison to seek information of the type of sign required for the playing field.***

**5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting.**

It was resolved to accept the minutes (Graham/Fort), these were then signed and dated by the Chairman of the meeting.

**6. Matters Arising.**

There were no matters arising.

**7. Police Report.**

The police report was given to members.

It was suggested that the mobile police station could be brought to the village in the near future for a property marking day. Members agreed to this suggestion and it was agreed that the details should be placed on the website and in the village magazine.

Members were reminded that the Rural East Forum meeting was due to take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2009.

**8. Parish Council Website.**

Alan James attended the meeting and gave a report on the usage of the website.

**9. Ward Councillors Report.**

Apologies were received from Borough Councillor Peter Parvin.

**10. Correspondence.**

The circulation correspondence was noted by members.

Members discussed the letter from Kent Air Ambulance regarding the supply of a textile bank in the parish. This was discussed by all present and it was agreed that this would be of benefit to the village. The Clerk was therefore asked to liaise with the organisers and arrange to have the unit delivered to the church car park with the other recycling facilities.

**Action: Clerk to progress.**

Speed Limit Review Document - Members noted this document and agreed that an item should be placed on the next agenda regarding this.

**Action: Clerk to place item on next agenda.**

**11. Planning Matters.**

No matters were raised.

**12. Financial Matters.**

The financial statements for the Parish Council Account and Playing Field Account were presented to Councillors. These were discussed, and accepted by members (Fort/Bubb).

**13. Leeds Playing Field.**

Members discussed the playing field. Councillor Harrison informed all that she now had the KM Tree, members agreed to meet to determine the site for this to be planted.

It was reported that the tennis nets and posts had been put up as agreed.

Councillor Graham stated that she was still progressing the application to try to get funding for the basket ball nets.

Members discussed the grass cutting at the playing field.

Councillor Bubb spoke regarding his plans for the youth to take part in tidying up the pavilion.

Councillor Graham stated that the pavilion was a long term investment and new weather boarding was needed for the front of it.

This was discussed and members agreed that this should be inspected to determine the work that needed to be undertaken.

Councillor Harrison thanked Councillors Bubb and Graham for their work on the playing field and with the youth.

She spoke of the quotation received for the installation of a footpath around the playing field and informed members that this would cost of the region of £24,000.

**14. Parish Maintenance.**

Councillor Harrison circulated details of parish maintenance to all present. She spoke regarding the work undertaken by MBC and the timing of this.

Members discussed the maintenance of the footpaths by KCC and the need for additional work. Councillor Bubb raised concerns about the present condition of the footpath opposite the Ten Bells. Councillor Harrison stated that she would report this matter.

**Action: Councillor Harrison to progress.**

Members discussed other matters around the parish.

15. **Highway Matters.**  
No matters were raised.
16. **Village Design Statement.**  
Councillor Graham reported on the progress of the VDS.
17. **Kent International Gateway.**  
Councillor Harrison reported on the current situation regarding KIG.
18. **Further questions from public.**  
No matters were raised.
19. **Urgent Matters.**  
Councillor Bubb informed members that he now had a key to the pavilion and he would get some spare keys cut.
20. **Date of next Parish Council Meeting.**  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

*There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9.30pm.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_