

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE HELD ON
27th JULY 2005 AT 8.00 p.m. AT THE HARTLEY LIBRARY, ASH ROAD**

Present: Cllr Mr A Barnett
Cllr Mr V Sewell (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs M Solman

In attendance: Mrs H Gilder (Assistant Clerk)
Mr G Walsh (Youth Worker)
1 member of the public.

Cllr Mr Sewell began by thanking Mrs Sharpe for her efforts in the production of a banner for the Youth Activity Day.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Mrs J Burns, Cllr Mr J Gaywood, Cllr Mr M Harris, Cllr Mr A Tremain.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on 27th June 2005 be approved and signed as a correct record.

4. Youth Workers Report

The Youth Worker informed the Committee that the 6 week course of snowboarding lessons for a group of young people had just finished and had been a great success.

The Youth Worker informed the Committee of an activity week in North Wales funded by Sevenoaks District Council. Two young people from Hartley aged 14 and 17 have been given the opportunity to attend the activity week which will take place in August.

The Youth Worker reported that the Summer Scheme for this year (funded by Sevenoaks District Council) has begun and that a leaflet giving details of the various activities has been distributed to schools etc.

The Youth Worker reported that a number of young people from Hartley are now attending the youth centre at New Ash Green.

Cllr Sewell told the Youth Worker that he was concerned about the amount of litter accumulating at the Woodlands Avenue Recreation Ground. The Youth Worker confirmed that the issue has been raised with the young people.

Cllr Sewell informed the Committee that at a recent meeting with PC Pay to discuss the youth shelter, the issue of installing a CCTV camera at Woodlands Avenue had been raised by PC Pay who said that he may be able to arrange for a camera to be installed. At the time, it was felt that this was unnecessary but, in view of the continuing problem with litter at Woodlands Avenue Cllr Sewell asked the Committee to consider whether the installation of a camera would be beneficial.

RESOLVED: That, the Clerk be requested to contact P C Pay to ask whether his offer of a CCTV camera for Woodlands Avenue Recreation Ground still stood.

5. Youth Activity Day

The Committee considered a report on arrangements for the Youth Activity Day which is to be held on Saturday 17th September 2005 at Manor Field.

At the last meeting of the Youth Committee it was agreed that the Scout Group would be asked if they would be interested in providing a barbeque subject to them having the relevant food hygiene certificates and adequate insurance cover.

Cllr Sewell reported that he had spoken to the Scout Leader who has verbally confirmed that the Scouts would be willing to provide a barbeque and that they have the required insurance.

Cllr Sewell reported that the Scouts have also agreed to make available and erect their two marquees on the day.

At the last Youth Committee meeting it was agreed that the local primary schools should be asked to design a poster advertising the event. The Assistant Clerk informed the group that the schools have been contacted but that no response has been forthcoming.

The Assistant Clerk reported that the District Council have confirmed the availability of their mini bus to transport young people from the Wellfield area to Manor Field at no cost to the Parish Council. The Assistant Clerk reported that St. Johns Ambulance had verbally agreed to attend on the day and have been requested to confirm in writing.

RESOLVED: That,

i) Cllr Sewell and Cllr Harris meet to discuss arrangements for the following:

- a) The design of a flyer and a poster advertising the event.
- b) The preparation of a schedule and a site plan detailing the position of each activity.

ii) That, the Clerk be requested to write a letter to the owners of the shops on The Parade asking whether they would have any objection to a banner advertising the event being put up above the shops.

iii) That, the Clerk be requested to write to Mrs Sharpe's neighbour thanking him for his help with the production of the banner.

iv) That, the Youth Worker be asked to prepare a report for inclusion in the next edition of the Parish Council's newsletter.

6. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 1st September 2005 at 8.00p.m. at Hartley Library.

The meeting closed at 9.40p.m.

Signed:.....

Date:.....