

MINUTES of a meeting held by Barlborough Country Park Group in Barlborough Village Hall on Wednesday 15th March at 19.00 hrs.

PRESENT: Bridget Ingle, Russell Cunliffe, Wayne Vardy, Donna Booth, John Shaw, Steve Riley.

APOLOGIES: Robert Gale, Jill Logan, Bev Clark.

007/2006	MINUTES	ACTION
	The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as a true and correct record (SR and RC).	
008/2006	CORRESPONDENCE	
	1. Bolsover District Council has written to the Parish Council regarding pedestrian access and the installation of a gate. A gate would be permitted providing it was no more than 1 metre high.	
009/2006	UPDATE AND MANAGEMENT OF FACILITIES	
	1. The Byelaws came into force on the 12 th February 2006. It is a criminal offence to contravene the Byelaws, so incidents should be reported to the police.	
	2. Update from Michael Baker BDC. Still no definite date for water connection from Severn Trent Water Authority. Electricity should be connected by 28/03/2006.	
	3. An application for planning permission to install a wind turbine has been submitted to Bolsover District Council. If approved, funding will then be sought to finance the project.	IE
	4. BI and JS met with representatives of Clowne Town Tennis Club to explain the Country Park Groups position. They requested the opportunity to meet with the group to explain their position. They want to talk to the group about possible placement of courts, which will be shared with the community. The aim is to develop tennis in this area, and it will be community orientated. The CP Group RESOLVED to invite them to the next meeting (at 8pm). It was considered important to explore all options of providing further facilities for the community.	BI
	5. Quotes had been sought for the tree planting scheme. It was RESOLVED to accept the quote from Killingleys. This was the lowest quote and could be funded through the grant.	

The Woodland Officer has given a verbal agreement to allow planting to start in September 2006. This was necessary because the Forestry Commission required that the entire planting take place during the season the grant is awarded. This would have meant that the tree planting would have to be completed the end of March 2006.

6. It was **RESOLVED** that contrary to the plan; no footpaths should be installed between the football pitches. This will then permit a cricket square to be marked out. **DB**
7. We need to get quotes for installing the footpaths. Killingleys to be invited to tender, plus two others. **DB**

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ACTIVITIES

1. Bolsover District Sports Action Group is unable to run any activities during the Easter holidays as there are no toilet facilities available for the children. Ward Lane suggested as an alternative venue (toilet facilities available at the village hall). **BI**
2. It was **RESOLVED** that two adult football teams (a maximum of 3) use the pitches. It was felt that otherwise they would become too churned up and unplayable. It was also **RESOLVED** that the teams should have Barlborough in their title. RC to draft a letter to the football teams explaining this. **BC WV RC**
3. It was **RESOLVED** that DB contact the Soresby Society regarding surveying the biodiversity of the newly laid hedgerow. **DB**
4. It was **RESOLVED** that we should invite a youth member to join the group, so that their views and interests are represented.

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MAINTENANCE ISSUES

1. It was reported that many dog owners were still not keeping their dogs and leads. Dog fouling was still an ongoing problem. Members were reminded that information needs to be passed onto Bolsover District Councils dog warden.
2. Additional quote submitted for grass cutting of football pitches (£1766+VAT). Further quotes to be sourced for the maintenance and reseeding of Ward Lane. Currently have quotes from Bolsover and Derbyshire County Council. WV to contact Roz Bullimore with details of another contractor. **RESOLVED** that the BCPG make recommendations to the Parish Council based on best value. **WV**

It was **RESOLVED** that the pitches and entrance should be cut, but the periphery should be left alone.

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FUNDING

1. Awards for All will be making a decision on our funding application within the next few weeks. **DB**
2. It was **RESOLVED** to look into Heritage Lottery Fund and Parks for People funding opportunities. **DB BI JL**
3. The Parish Council has allocated £10,000 to the project. Some of this funding could be used towards the footpaths. **DB JL**