

**Minutes of the Sevington Sub-committee Meeting held in
the Church Room, St Mary's Church, Willesborough on Tuesday, 18th July 2017**

Present Lee Whitehead (Chair) Jan Oakley-Hills
Ian Sharp Sue Botfield
Ken Botfield

In attendance: Tracey Block (Clerk), 6 members of the public

To be actioned by

The meeting started at 7.30pm	
Apologies for absence had been received from Paul Bartlett, Brian and Sue Heritage and Andrew Whybrow.	
Minutes of the previous meeting The minutes of the inaugural meeting on 25 th April 2017 were approved and signed by Cllr Whitehead.	
Matters Arising from the minutes <i>Update on Sevington Park/Beacon-</i> Councillors Oakley-Hills reported that she, Lynne and Ian had met with Amanda Scott from Ashford Borough Council regarding the siting of the beacon. It is thought that planning permission is required for the beacon and this is something the Parish Council will pursue and undertake as necessary. Cllr Oakley-Hills is to obtain a quotation and asked how often this is likely to get used. A quote from Orlestone Oak for a 4m post is £475. Brian Heritage offered to make the basket on a double-pivot pin action for circa £250. The beacon is to be sited on its own on the bridge side on top of the incline. The bridge layout will need to be amended and will take in some of the park so the developers have promised £140,000 will be given for the refurbishment of the play park. <i>Update on Sevington Sizzle</i> – There are a number of stalls, raffle prizes have been sought from local businesses and there will be races and a barbecue. There is a facebook page and the Clerk is organising the insurance for this event <i>Update on Dropped Kerbs</i> – The response from the planners involved in the original layout of the park following an email from the Clerk was circulated. This did not deal with the issue so Cllr Whitehead is to contact the management company.	TB LW
Public session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item. There were no items raised by members of the public that were not already on the agenda.	
Update on Barrey Rd The minutes of the Joint Transportation board meeting had been circulated. There will be a temporary speed restriction put in place during the works to J10a.	
Vacancy for a Parish Councillor Cllr Sawdon has resigned as a Parish Councillor for Sevington so a vacancy has arisen. If anyone is interested in being a Parish Councillor, please make contact with either Cllrs Oakley-Hills, Whitehead or the Clerk.	
Any Other Business The telephone kiosk has been painted but a very poor job has been made. The Clerk has already looked into this and BT have promised to rectify the situation. No further problems have arisen from the horses present on the field although there are 3 dogs on the site who an escape. The dog warden is to be contacted with regard to this.	

<p>There is a problem with people parking across the bollards at the Willesborough side. The Clerk is to ask parking enforcement officers to attend as they are blocking emergency access and also parking on the dropped kerb blocking use by wheelchairs and push chairs.</p> <p>A notice board was again discussed. It was suggested that a stainless steel one could be put just by the park on Borough Council land. The Clerk will contact Ashford Borough Council to seek permission for this.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to investigate whether further items could be added to the Park as it is looking rather sad.</p> <p>The new neighbourhood Watch Scheme is up and running. The signs are up and there was a suggestion that a meeting could be held to organise exactly how the scheme will work.</p>	
<p>The next meeting will be held on 31st October 2017.</p>	