

# Melbourne Parish Council



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## Minutes of the Facilities Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Facilities Committee held at 8.10pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at the Shone Room, Melbourne

Present: Cllr Jackson (Chairman), Cllr Hicklin, Earp, Parker, Smith, Minifie, Stockill, the Clerk.

97. Apologies: no apologies were received.

98. Minutes of the Facilities Committee meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

99. The location of the defibrillator was deferred until a firm decision has been made by the Full Council in February about the purchase of the public toilets.

100. The Clerk has asked Mr T Statham to provide a quote to alter the height of the basketball rings. This is still awaited.

101. Thomas Cook Gardens is overgrown.

The Clerk apologises as the action to clear the vegetation at Thomas Cook Gardens had not been undertaken. The Clerk will request the Community Payback Team to attend to the benches **(Action: Clerk)**.

102. The quotation to replace the netting surrounding the Lothian Gardens was discussed in the exempt section. The surrounding trees require cutting back for the installation of the netting to be successful, but as the trees are not the responsibility of the Parish Council, the Clerk is to contact surrounding landowners for their permission for the Parish Council to be cut back the overhanging trees and for them to pay for the work. **(Action: Clerk)**.

103. The Clerk has contacted Andy Younger to obtain a quote to fetch slabs for use over the drain in Lothian Gardens and then to lay them. The quote is still awaited. **(Action: Clerk)**.

104. Cllr Jackson reported that 124 children had taken part in the Summer sports activities; the previous year it was 177. The Committee failed to reach a conclusion as to why the numbers had declined, particularly as more direct publicity had been undertaken. The proposed budget for 2015/16 allocates £1000 for this year's summer play activities which will be agreed when the schedule is available.

105. The Clerk reported that she had met with a representative from a supplier of play equipment and grant applications had been discussed. **AGREED** the Clerk will arrange for a meeting to take place with a representative of play equipment **(Action: Clerk)**.

Date of next meeting: to be advised

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm

Cllr Jackson– Chairman