

## FINCHAMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FOOTPATHS COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2011 AT 7.30 PM IN THE CALIFORNIA RATEPAYERS HALL, FINCHAMPSTEAD ROAD, FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS

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**PRESENT:** Cllr W Chapman, Chairman,  
Cllrs Mrs Driver, A Pearce, G Veitch, Cllr Pittock,  
Mrs A Kent, Assistant Clerk

#### **208/2011- APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr R Cundy, May, Weeks, and John Alexander

#### **209/2011 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2011 and on 19<sup>th</sup> May were signed as a true record.

#### **210/2011 – MATTERS ARISING**

Min. 438/2010 - Wick Hill – change of designation to Bridleway

FPC want the status of Wick Hill (Lane) from its junction with the B3016 at Policeman's Corner to the junction with Bridleway 26 formally identified as a legal bridleway. The committee noted that this matter is still not resolved and remains subject to legal issues. The Committee will write to Chris Buggy, Head of Countryside services at WBC asking for an urgent update on this matter. Action Cllr Veitch to draft letter.

Min. 438/2010 - Bridleway 26 - flooding

Cllr Chapman informed the committee the bridleway has been widened and the foliage removed and this is re-instated.

#### **211/2011 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

None

#### **212/2011 – CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.**

- Footpath 5 – fencing reported in poor state – Cllr Chapman has spoken to Mr Bishop. It was noted that the landowner's fencing is maintained to a good standard and Cllr Chapman will continue to press for this to be completed.
- Footpath 34 – Currently a dead-end. NT investigating possibility of linking to FP 26 but the committee noted the difficulties with the landowner of the land adjacent. The committee will write to C Buggy asking for an update.

#### **213/2011 – FOOTPATH WARDEN REPORT & APPROVAL OF INVOICE PAYMENT (JAN-MARCH 2011)**

- Two invoices outstanding for fuel.  
The Footpath Warden, is carrying out footpaths maintenance, including F/P 3 from Reading Rd, through to New Mill Lane, and other general works.
- It was also noted that footpaths are regularly used by cyclists

## **214/2011 - CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMITTEE FORUM**

### **Correspondence –**

Samples of Footpaths Maps from other parish councils. The Footpaths Committee agree with Amenities that selective walks appear on FPC website with details and places of interest.

### **Forum**

Manor Farm This land is currently up for sale, clarification needed from WBC as to what happens to the permitted path when the land changes hands. Action – Assistant Clerk will check with WBC

Bridleway 49 Moor Green Lakes meet up with F/P 33. There is a sign displayed saying no cycling on Footpaths, and cyclists are often on the Bridleway, Action – AK will ask WBC to remove sign.

### **Footpath 14 Finchampstead Rd to St James' Church.**

Style has had dog access blocked. Action - Cllr Chapman will discuss with the landowner.

## **215/2011 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Footpaths meeting will be held on September 8<sup>th</sup> 2011 at California Ratepayers starting 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.