



**ENGLEFIELD GREEN COMMITTEE  
24 FEBRUARY 2010**

**APPENDICES**

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Runnymede Borough CouncilENGLEFIELD GREEN COMMITTEE3 November 2009 at 7.00pm

Members of the Committee present: Councillors P I Roberts (Chairman), P Taylor (Vice-Chairman), D R Hamilton and H W V Meares

Residents' Representatives: Mrs L Lawson and Mr A E Panter

Members of the Committee absent: Councillors Miss M N Heath and M T Kusneraitis

362. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 23 June 2009 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

363. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Miss Heath

364. CRICKET MATCH AND FUN DAY

The Committee received a report regarding the Jamaica Stylee cricket match and fun day held by the Cricket Club on 12 July. The event had resulted in several complaints about the volume of the music played. One of the Honorary Wardens had complained directly on the day and although the volume of the music had been reduced for a time it had subsequently reverted back to its original volume.

Officers had written to the Club on two occasions and were currently awaiting a response from their letter dated 25 August. Officers were seeking, on behalf of the Committee, the Club's agreement to a system whereby local Councillors, Council staff and the Honorary Wardens were given the contact number of a responsible individual at future events who would ensure there was adequate control and that any directions given by the Council were followed. The Club had been made aware that the Committee would want to be satisfied that such a system was in place before considering any future requests to use the Green.

365. CARTERS STEAM FAIR

Carters Steam Fair had visited the Green again this year over the weekend of the 3 and 4 October. There had been little rain in the weeks prior to their arrival and a site inspection confirmed the ground was dry and firm. There was some rain fall over the weekend and heavy rain was forecast for the following Tuesday, when they were due to leave the site, so Officers had requested that they left a day early which they did. Consequently, there was very little damage to the Green, just a small amount of surface scuffing in some areas which would recover naturally without the need for reinstatement. The Cricket Club had requested some remedial work be undertaken and the Council's Parks and Amenities Officer would be meeting with the Cricket Club to discuss on 6 November.

The Committee was concerned with the parking around the event, in particular in Bishopsgate Road. It was suggested that cones be used during next year's event to ensure safety.

The Chairman reiterated that the Committee retained power of veto regarding the Fair. If the need should arise due to inclement weather and potential damage, the fair could be postponed or cancelled if necessary.

366. GRASS VERGE – OPPOSITE CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

The Committee discussed the condition of the grass verge along the edge of the Green opposite the children's playground. This area was reinstated after the County Council repaired the edge of the road surface but, because people continued to park cars on it, the grass had not grown and there

was now a narrow strip of bare earth. Officers had discussed this matter further with the County Council and it was agreed that there was little point trying to reinstate the grass on the verge unless it was protected from further parking. Several options were discussed by the Committee and it was agreed that the most viable option was for the verge to be re-seeded and temporarily fenced whilst the grass established. Once grass was reinstated this would hopefully deter parking on the verges.

Members discussed the feasibility of the road being made one-way. Surrey County Council had been approached regarding this previously. As this was a longer term option, informal canvassing of the residents would need to be undertaken prior to any further consideration.

367. PLAY AREA - UPDATE

The Committee was updated on the forthcoming public inquiry into the proposal to extend the play area. The Committee was informed that the Planning Inspectorate had re-allocated the dates in November which had originally been proposed. The inquiry was now scheduled for the 15, 16 and 17 December 2009 and would be held at the Savill Court Hotel. Officers were currently gathering information in preparation for the Inquiry including information from both the Police and Safer Runnymede. A count of users of the existing play area had also been undertaken.

The Planning Inspectorate stipulated conditions with regard to the venue suitable for the Inquiry. Officers had looked at possible venues but the Savill Court Hotel was the only venue which adhered to their requirements. The Planning Inspectorate had contacted all residents who had made representation. General publicity regarding the Inquiry would be the responsibility of the Council to organise.

368. ENGLEFIELD GREEN CRICKET CLUB

At its meeting in June 2007 the Committee had resolved that the Director of Administration and Leisure be authorised to grant Englefield Green Cricket Club a 3 year licence for the use of the Pavilion and cricket pitch and to settle its terms in accordance with the framework set out in the report and the licence to include provision for the Club to take up the option of a 28 year lease.

The Committee was informed that a draft agreement had been formulated and this had now been returned by the Cricket Club with suggested draft additions and amendments. The Committee requested that the draft amendments suggested by the Cricket Club to the licence be circulated to Committee along with a copy of the licence for information.

The Committee also required clarification on the Council's response to the Open Space Society letter, which had been reported at the last meeting.

The Parks Manager would be meeting the Chairman of the Cricket Club to discuss a number of outstanding low key maintenance issues.

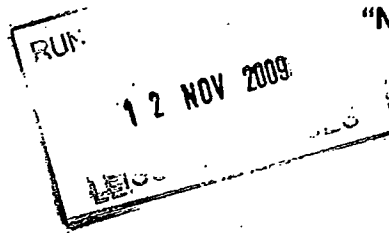
369. STANDING ORDER 42 - URGENT ACTION

The Committee noted that in accordance with Standing Order 42 the following action had been undertaken by the Officer shown below after consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Action Taken</u>	<u>Central Index No.</u>
Director of Administration and Leisure	To allow a cycle 'pit stop' at Englefield Green Cricket Club pavilion for the annual London to Windsor cycle ride on 6 September	698

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10<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

Dear Peter

**Disco music noise arising from the Englefield Green CC  
Jamaica Stylee function in the Pavilion on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> July 2009.**

The Club are anxious to avoid a repetition of the complaints regarding alleged excessive noise during the above Club function.

To this end, the Club will hire a noise measuring meter for future events to ensure that noise levels do not exceed the regulatory requirements of 85-90db(A)

All complainants are welcome to examine the meter during the function.

An officer of the Club will be employed in monitoring noise levels and making adjustments as necessary.

The Club undertakes to comply with the current Control of Noise Regulations 2005 and the European Directive (2005/10/EC). It will also meet the requirements of "Sound advice: control of noise in musical entertainment", detailed in publication ISBN 9780717663071

I expect to be on hand to ensure compliance and can be telephoned on the number given above. The officer of the Club who will be monitoring noise levels will contact you before the event to give his mobile telephone number.

The Club will also monitor noise generated by the annual commercial fun fair for comparison purposes

Yours sincerely

David de Ville (Chairman EGCC)