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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

TO: MEMBERS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

This Meeting is open to any other North Weald Bassett Parish Councillor who wishes to attend

You are hereby invited to attend a meeting of the **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE** which will be held on **Friday, 20th September 2013** at **Thornwood Common Village Hall, Weald Hall Lane, Thornwood** at **10am** to transact the business shown in the Agenda below.

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AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** 
To **RECEIVE** any apologies for absence.
2. **OTHER ABSENCES**
To **NOTE** any absences for which no apology has been received.
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 
To **RECEIVE** any Declarations of Interest by Members

A Member with a personal interest in a matter must consider whether it is a Disclosable Pecuniary, Non Pecuniary or Other Pecuniary Interest, and declare it accordingly. A Member who is unsure as to how to declare their interest should seek independent advice.

4.  **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES** 

To **CONFIRM** the minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2013, attached at **APPENDIX 1**.

5.  **PLAY AREA INSPECTION REPORT** 

Members are asked to **NOTE** that the quarterly play area inspections were carried out by ARD on 8 August 2013. The Finance and Administrative Officer, together with Cllr Hawkins and Cllr McCormack will be visiting the play areas on Monday, 16 September 2013. A report regarding their findings will be given at the meeting.

6. **THORNWOOD ALLOTMENTS NATURE AREA**

Members are asked to **NOTE** that Epping Forest Countrycare were scheduled to visit Thornwood Allotments Nature Area on Thursday, 12 September 2013, to carry out the following works:-

- Cut grass
- Trim trees and bushes to ensure footpath is clear
- Inspection of recently dug out ditch, to ensure it is clear (in the event of heavy rain).

In addition, Countrycare have advised that work was due to be carried out on Thursday, 5 September, at Church Lane Flood Meadow in North Weald, which would entail coppicing the trees at the northern end and clearing around the steps and benches.

7. **THORNWOOD COMMON, COMPLAINT REGARDING BUS STOPS** 

The Clerk will give a verbal report regarding this matter.

8. **THORNWOOD PLAY AREA** 

Following a weekly play area inspection, Mr Hebden has reported that dog waste is still being deposited in the bin situated in the play area at Thornwood. A notice has been placed on the bin requesting dog owners to use the dog waste bin situated in the playing field. Members are asked to **CONSIDER** what further action could be taken to resolve this matter.

Members are asked to **NOTE** that a member of the public contacted the Parish Office regarding dog waste being placed in bags and thrown into bushes and trees around the Thornwood Allotments Nature Area. A notice has been placed on the gate to the area requesting dog owners to deposit bags containing dog faeces in the dog bin provided.

9. **ANY OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

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