

King George V Playing Field Committee Meeting –7th August 2019 7.30 at the Village Hall

1. **Apologies** : Jane Donovan, Tina Lambert
2. **Attendees** : Nick Satchell, Peter Morgan ,Jo Taylor, ,Simon Ward , Andrew Holdsworth , Kelvin Speirs,
3. The minutes of the last meeting had been distributed prior to the meeting .

4. **Matters Arising**

1. Fire Alarm . It was agreed in principle to accept the lower quotation and NS was to confirm this with the Parish Council.
2. A skip had been obtained and all necessary rubbish removed with the help of JD PM and KS.

5. **User Reports**

- a) Football No report (KS able to confirm they had been training at the field since mid July and had 2 pre-season friendlies arranged).
- b) Cricket Getting 2 teams out every Saturday was sometimes a struggle. The 1st X1 were at present 4th in their League and the 2nd X1 mid table. They had run 3 outside bars for weddings during the summer.
- c) Stoolball Main League now finished and we had finished in the bottom half. One player had suffered a broken hand on falling while fielding. We were now playing in the August Fun League. The Fun day arranged in July had been a great success and enjoyed by all . Lovely weather and lovely atmosphere !We will perhaps repeat another year.
- d) Activity Scheme No report
- e) Junior Football They had 215 young people signed on for 2019/2020 season and would be starting on 7th September. They were still pursuing a second venue for matches and training. They needed to meet with the Football club to discuss the use of the field in the forthcoming season. They should get their fixture list in the next two weeks.
- f) Honeybees (report emailed by TL in her absence)
A few days in September were already fully booked with many enquiries from Plumpton families..It is disheartening that there is still ongoing vandalism in the woodland area. The Ofsted framework changes in September with less paperwork which is welcome. The graduation film was a great success.
They now had 8 members of staff with one being full time. One member was currently undergoing training to be a Yoga teacher for children. 16 would be leaving for school in September and a probable 23 the following year which was good news for Plumpton school.
TL has graduated with BA Hons in Early Childhood Practice from Brighton University and has now joined an advisory committee on outdoor play,policy and research based in London.

MANY CONGRATULATIONS TINA FROM PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE

- g) Archery Still carrying on with 3rd Sunday in month open to all. Have held sessions at the college for students there on residential courses during the summer .Regarding the new building for winter shooting NS produced plans showing the areas owned by Parish Council and Awbreys. AH produced a sign for PERCY'S PATCH which had been given to him by Percy's son. NS and AH to meet to decide where would be the best place for it to be erected .

6. Maintenance (JD had sent request for matters to be raised during the meeting)

1. Football kit to be removed so that access to outside door and electrical cupboard always kept clear. It was reiterated from the meeting that if drying kit in the utility room a window should be left open to prevent condensation.

2. Gutters on corner of changing rooms needed to be sorted urgently as causing rotting on external wall.

3. Gent's loos were disgusting and in need of urgent refurbishment. NS was informed that plans for these loos were submitted with the original refurbishment plans. JT and KS have copies of these. Confirmation was obtained by SB when working on the Pavilion that the door near the gents was not needed as a fire door. NS to approach the Parish Council.

4. Entrance Hall still to be decorated. Honeybees need to remove their boards.

5. Cleaning rota sorted while Activity Scheme in operation.

6/7 The showers are filthy and need a good clean. The cricket Club had put curtains up to try to avoid excessive water spillage. Legionnaire's testing needed to be organized and report made for next meeting.

Any Other Business

1. PLUMPTON COLLEGE The stoolball Club were still waiting for correct invoices for the use of the Sports Hall last winter. Co-operation from the college was not good. Junior football were also having problems in getting replies for requests for use of their football pitch for the forthcoming season. The next Parish council meeting was to be held at the College so hopefully matters would be resolved.

2. It was expected that grass cutting would soon be scaled down. SW requested that one formal contract for general use by all users of the field be drawn up and agreed.

3. JT reminded the committee of JUMBLE SALE to be held to raise funds for the Pavilion on September 7th. Jumble/Tombola prizes/cakes etc and HELP would be needed on the day and cars to remove excess Jumble to the tip.

4. There is a stoolball match in aid of St Peters and St James on 15th September.

5. At the request of Honeybees users to please ask all their members to place any chewing gum in the bins provided and not deposit around the building.

6. The Field is getting very bumpy and needing proper maintenance. PM to meet Chris Gibbs from LDC at the weekend.

7. There is a major drug problem at the Playing Field on most evenings. NS to contact the Police.

8. Archery have to repaint their lines using metric measurements.

9. Dog's mess on the field was getting bad. A new bin was needed.

The next playing field meeting is set for 26th September 2019 at 7.30 in the Pavilion.
