

King George V Playing Field Committee Meeting –4th December 7.30 at the Pavilion.

1. Apologies : Simon Ward

2. Attendees : Nick Satchell, Peter Morgan, Jo Taylor, Jane Donovan, Kelvin Speirs, Lisa Sanford, Andrew Holdsworth.

3. The minutes of the last meeting had been distributed prior to the meeting and were agreed.

4. Matters Arising

1. JD had sent quotes for Fire Alarms to the Parish Council but they yet to be approved.

2. JD to get a quote from Paul Manville regarding the repair / replacement of the gutter.

3. The refurbishment of the Gents loos were an urgent priority and still to be sorted.

4. Decorating of the Entrance hall is to be completed in the Christmas break. Honeybees asked to ensure whole area is cleared ready for decorators.

5. The Legionnaires test and risk assessment is now in place.

6. PM to sort out the cost of providing a “poo” bin in or near the car park.

7. JD to organize the removal of the broken bench near the track. PM to source a replacement.

8. KS asked why a new contract was necessary and was told that a simpler contract to cover all users was to be drawn up.

5. User Reports

a) **Football** No report but Kelvin was able to confirm that they had only been able to play a few away games.

b) **Cricket** Sussex League AGM had recently taken place. 2020 season will finish on 5th September .

Repairs to the Cricket square had recently been undertaken and further work was ongoing at a cost of £2000.

c) **Stoolball**

JT had finally received an invoice from the College and payment had been settled immediately. We had not yet been able to obtain a start date for the Indoor League from the college.

d) **Activity Scheme** No report

e) **Junior Football**

SW had emailed a report stating that the last two months had proved exceptionally challenging with above average rainfall which resulted in them not being able to use Plumpton for 6 Saturdays in October and November. Addressing the drainage issue on our ground is a number one priority .They are willing to invest time and money in exploring solutions with the parish Council and other users.

f) **Honeybees**

We are going into a new term with 36 children but would still be running at a small loss .We will be extending our hours from 8.00am to 5.00pm in January and were launching an intensive advertising campaign. They were delighted with the new radiator for their room and had ordered a fireguard .Thanks were also due for the

sign on the fence discouraging children from climbing on the fence. Christmas activities were now in full swing with the traditional Nativity play and a proposed visit to All Saints church to hear the Christmas story. Parking in the allotted Honeybees area was still causing a problem and fliers needed to be produced to put on the cars using that area.

g) Archery

They had not been able to shoot at the playing Field for over a month and were using the College. The Club was doing well with a steady flow of new members.

6. Maintenance

- a) Burleys had given us a quote but it had not given us the information we had asked for; Ns and PM were to get the representative back to discuss what was actually needed for our ground. It was pointed out that we were not the only ground suffering at the moment due to the excessive recent rainfall . However we needed to persevere to improve the drainage and look to what grants were available.

7. Any Other Business.

1. AH reminded the meeting that he still had the sign to go up at "Percy's Patch . JD to get a quote for a suitable post . When this is approved arrangements will be made to get it put in place.
2. Honeybees asked if a guard could be purchased to put on the new radiator in the main hall as they needed to keep a seat in front as it got so hot. As this radiator was so efficient the meeting agreed that 2 similar radiators should be purchased to replace the 3 older heaters in the main hall. JD to organize.

The next playing field meeting is set for TUESDAY 28th JANUARY 2020 at 7.30 in the Pavilion.