

King George V Playing Field Committee Meeting – 10 May 2017; 7.30 at the pavilion.

1. Apologies : Darryl Bailey, Ian Earl,

2. Attendees : Emma Elford, Tina Lambert, Jo Taylor, , Kelvin Speirs, Jane Donovan, Andrew Holdsworth, Stephen Morris

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

There is now a new parish clerk , Anita Emery. All future minutes should be sent to her and also to Louise Sheeran for publication on the website, A reminder was given that the Agenda should be publicised at least 5 working days before the proposed meeting.

3. Matters Arising from minutes of 7 March 2017

- a) An odd-job man had been found by JD
- b) There was no report available regarding the new parking proposals.

4. User Reports

a) Cricket

The club had started new junior sessions on Mondays which are going very well. The seniors had won the first two rounds of the East Sussex League Cup but lost the first league games. Nets are being on held on Wednesday evening.

b) Honeybees

From September operating times may be between 8.45 and 3.45 to offer 35 hours a week . There will be consultations for business advice should this happen.

c) Stoolball

The season had commenced in very cold weather and a full fixture list of 2 games each week. The club's tournament is to be held this Sunday.

d) Archery

The club are in the midst of a beginner's course with 19 participants. The club are fortunate to have 7 coaches and new joiners are encouraged to attend 4 hourly sessions before joining the club. There are 40 members with a few more from the village than usual. On the 3rd Sunday of each month, the club hold a "have a go" session free of charge. They are willing to hold sessions for local organisations.

AH asked that any further drainage work which takes place should include an area further to the east and above the football pitch.

e) Football

KS reported that the 1st XI finished mid-table in Division 2 and the 2nd XI near the bottom of Division 6.

f) Junior Football

TL reported that the club held a successful presentation day at Plumpton college on Saturday with over 120 people present. Then number of league teams will be increased next season and there will be further pressure on the field and parking.

5. Maintenance

- a) The odd-job man had removed all old and broken wood and the picnic table from the play park and skateboard area and is now working on the outside fence posts and wire. The picnic table will be replaced. Two benches along the south edge of the field will also be removed and replaced. A broken panel in the skate park is also being replaced. Large areas on the edge of the play park and the skateboard area have been sprayed with weed killer.
- b) A fire assessment of the building will take place on Tuesday.
- c) It was felt that JD now had Health & Safety issues at the pavilion under control.
- d) A monthly assessment was necessary at the play park and skate park.

6. Refurbishment

EE had requested e-mails / letters from all users with comments on the refurbishment and giving support for the grant to "Leader". The application for a grant needs to be with DL by Friday ready for his submission. 3 quotes had been obtained for the refurbishment.

7. Any Other Business

- a) There were concerns on the lack of invoices to all users of the Playing Field / Pavilion. SM agreed to follow up with the new clerk.
- b) Goals at the bottom of the field were no longer safe. JD to ask maintenance man to check and replace if necessary.
- c) JD is to be notified if furniture is to be removed from the pavilion. JT will sort the kitchen area at the weekend.
- d) In view of the expected increase of use of the field in winter it was suggested that the field had proper maintenance and management and that a cancellation policy is put in place.

The next playing field meeting is set for Wednesday 12 July at 7.30 in the Pavilion.