

1. **Apologies** : None
2. **Attendees** : Ron Jury (Chairman), Nick Satchel (PPC) Kelvin Speirs (Cricket), Jo Taylor (Stoolball), Simon Ward (Junior Football), Tina Lambert (Honeybees) David Wearn (Archery (Briefly))
3. There were no matters of pecuniary and disposable interest to be discussed.

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

4. **Matters Arising**
These to be dealt with later in the meeting

5. User Reports

a) Senior Football

No report, but reported from the floor that they had now started their season.

b) Cricket

They had not had a successful season in that both teams had been relegated. However we were fortunate in having plenty of members and the social side of the club was very good. The Junior section was progressing well and it was hoped that a 3rd X1 team could play friendly games on some occasions next season. We would still carry on with the Wednesday evening games. A request was made for the WiFi in the Pavilion to be boosted as scoring at matches is now done electronically.

c) Stoolball

Had an enjoyable season and had sufficient players for matches. We finished 7th out of 9 in the Mid Division and 10 of us went to the Presentation evening held at Isfield in September. We have joined the Indoor League at Uckfield for the winter.

d) Activity Scheme

No report and the committee felt sad that the activity scheme do not come to the meetings.

e) Junior Football

They had 260 children on their books. They were grateful for the groundwork done on the field and asked for mowing to be done on a Thursday to help with marking out. SW asked if the preparation of an area next to the Play Area for mowing was going ahead. SW was informed that the Goal posts at the bottom of the field would be staying in position at present. However the goal mouths needed attention. A request that Loo Rolls and soap should be supplied regularly for the outside toilet.

f) Honeybees

23 children had left to attend Plumpton School in September and were accompanied by a member of Honeybees staff to help with the change. They were going from strength to strength and had several who were 2 years old and were only talking children local to the Plumpton / Plumpton Green area. There were now 11 members of staff including professional teachers and some with level 3 qualification and an Ukrainian refugee.

There were some dependable families and Honeybees had registered to the Food Bank to enable them to get tickets when these were issued twice yearly ..

They had a visit from the Local Authority and were given "Gold Standard for Early Education" ..

g) Archery

The new container had been delivered. They now needed to dispose of some sand and cut back some of the scrub. They would plant some hedging in front of the container

but were reminded that they should be aware of how far they could come out towards the football pitch. DW was informed that mole traps had been set and these were marked by a purple ribbon.

6. Maintenance

- a) JB was to cut holes in the existing cladding in various places to ascertain the condition of the inner structure. A quote of £20,000 had been received to replace the old cladding.
- b) JB was to improve the base on the new activity scheme shed.
- c) The manhole cover on the track has been repaired and two new passing places have been created. A NO PARKING sign will be installed nearby. The Tennis Club and Archery will be contributing towards the cost. The track was closed for 2 weekends while the work was carried out.(Chaos reigned at the time !!!)

7) Any Other Business

- a) TL asked for confirmation that the New Pavilion Project was still on the Agenda. RJ confirmed this and stated that a Committee was to be set up in the future to supervise this project.
- b) Thanks due to TL and RJ for organizing the Jumble Sale which made a Grand Total of £1099.10p
- c) All sorts of rubbish was being deposited by the clothes bins which amounted to Fly Tipping. Rats were now in evidence. A notice had been put on Face book highlighting the problem. TL had requested an extra bin.
- d) KS requested a key for the large recycling bin to dispose of tins etc from the bar when necessary. He also asked if the field could be rolled before the cricket season.
- e) Comment was made on the speed of some of the cars to the Tennis Club.

PLEASE NOTE the date for the next meeting was changed to January 31st 2024