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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON
THURSDAY 13th APRIL 2017
AT THE SPORTS PAVILION**

PRESENT: Cllrs Henly (Chairman), Court, Clarke, Hare, Lawson, Queded & Wilson.

REPRESENTATIVES: Mr & Mrs Nunns (Allotments), Mr T Reilly (Pulborough Football Club (PFC)), Mr M Walsh (Snooker Club & S&SC).

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs L Underwood (Deputy Clerk)

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Mr L Adsett.

32. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th March 2017 were received, agreed and signed as an accurate record.

33. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS AND ITEMS

Allotments

Mr Nunns advised that plot holders have started work on their plots, but there are about 6 plots which have not been worked on. The Deputy Clerk advised that she is due to do an inspection shortly and some plots are available for rent. Mr Nunns knows of one person interested, so will ask them to contact the Parish Office.

Cllr. Queded reported that there are a couple of dripping taps, one had not been turned off correctly, but one is leaking. He has been on site to try and locate the stopcock for this leaking tap, but the stopcock has been covered over with vegetation and a large basin has been placed there to catch the water, which is now overflowing. Cllr. Queded will speak with the Clerk to instruct the Groundsman to move the tank and overgrowing vegetation, to expose the stopcock. Cllr. Queded advised he checked all the other taps and they all seem fine. The Deputy Clerk advised that another tap has been reported as leaking within the newer plots, which the Groundsman will look at.

Snooker Club

Mike Walsh advised that the club is going to try and open up to S&SC members again, but this time, the sessions will be supervised.

PFC

Terry Reilly advised it was a disappointing end to the season, with the team coming 2nd.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the Caretaker had reported that the toilet lights were left on by PFC over the weekend of 8th & 9th April. Please can PFC be reminded to turn off the lights before they leave.

The Caretaker also advised that 3 brooms are missing and if anyone has taken them to borrow, please can they bring them back.

S&SC

Mike thanked the Parish Council for the recent support they have given the S&SC, which has helped and is appreciated. They are trying to sort out the anti-social behaviour problems and have started to clean up the club, cleaning the carpets and painting, along with repairing the gents' toilets. Last weekend saw an increase in membership of 10-11 members and they are hoping to do the same this coming weekend. A plan is being put in place to encourage younger families.

Mike reported that the cellar door (by the cage) is in need of repairing, due to its age. The Clerk has advised that she will come to site and review the repairs needed.

The Deputy Clerk advised that reports have been received that glasses on the outside tables are being left overnight along with lots of litter around the patio area. Please can the S&SC tidy up the area before closing. Mike advised that the bar staff have been given instructions to clear everything away and tidy before closing, so this should not be an issue in the future.

Terry Reilly advised that the date of the next S&SC meeting has been changed to 25.04.17.

Youth Club

In his absence, Ben Sheldon had sent in the following report, which the Deputy Clerk read out:

The work we do in Pulborough is steadily growing. We have seen an increase in young people coming to the youth club on a Wednesday evening; the rise has mainly been in younger members, and we have seen some of our older members start to come less often; however this is not a negative, but has enabled and caused us to rethink, and start plans in motion to develop a new youth club in Pulborough for the older young people (School years 9-11); where we can do activities more suited to their wants / needs. Hopefully in turn this will enable us to focus more on what our young members need at the existing session.

We have just run a skate park session outside the youth centre on Tuesday, which was attended by a good number of young people from the area, and we have a lovely afternoon where young people were able to use the park, and also the youth centre, giving them many options.

Allan and myself have started to redecorate the lounge area, in the hope of making it feel lighter, and more airy for the summer months, and to keep the light feeling into the winter as well.

We are looking ahead to the summer when we are hoping to run a number of different trips for our young people.

As always we will keep in contact with the Wardens and if there is anything that we hear about that needs action from us, we will endeavor to put it into action.

34. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for 25th May 2017.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm

..... Chairman

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