

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY 2015 AT THE SPORTS PAVILION

PRESENT: Cllrs Wallace (Chairman), Clarke, Quested, Lawson, Mills, Henly & Wilson.

REPRESENTATIVES: Mr Terry Reilly (Football Club) & Mr Nev James (Pythons).

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Underwood (Assistant Clerk) and 0 members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

James Heimers advised that he was unable to attend.

17. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th November 2014 were received, agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

Clerk's Report - From meeting on 20th November 2014

Item 15 – Representative' Reports-Pythons The Parish Office still hasn't received an invoice from St. Mary's School for the use of their pitches.

Fred has cut some wooden posts to fit the goal post holes.

18. **REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS**

Football

Terry Reilly advised that the first team are struggling, but the 2nd team is doing well.

Terry reported that since the new cricket square has been put in place, they have been unable to train in their usual place because the ground is extremely boggy and wet. He questions whether raising the cricket square has caused drainage problems there. This matter needs to be looked into. The Assistant Clerk advised that she will ask the Groundsman to have a look at the area and report back to the Parish Office. Nev James commented that the main area of the recreation ground, by the play park area drains well, which the younger Pythons use, although not at the present time. Terry also advised that the football teams are waiting to hear if they are able to train over at Billingshurst, as they obviously need somewhere to train with lighting.

Pythons

Nev James thanked the Parish Council for their grant, and advised that it will be very useful.

Nev reported that the U15's have had a slight 'blip' in their winning streak, and lost in the quarter final cup, however they are still joint top of the table, and still have to play the other top team again. They will know, within 2 weeks, if they are to be promoted. The 11-12 team are having slightly mixed games.

Since the last report, they have an U9's Manager now, but the players are just training at the moment, and no-one has actually sign up, but hopefully there will be a new team next year.

Nev confirmed that one of the parents of the U12's team has volunteered as Welfare Officer.

Date of Next meeting: 12 February 2015

Meeting closed at 7.42pm

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