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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON
THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2015
AT THE SPORTS PAVILION**

PRESENT: Cllrs E Wallace (Chairman), Court, Hare, Henly, Lawson & Wilson.

REPRESENTATIVES: Deane Farrell (U12's Pythons), Nev James (Pythons), Terry Reilly (Pulborough Football Club - PFC) & Mr & Mrs Nunns (Allotments).

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

The meeting opened at 7.32pm

12. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Liz Burt (Horsham Matters), Cllrs Clarke & Quedstedt advised that they were unable to attend.

13. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th September 2015 were received, agreed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

Clerk's Report - From meeting on 10th September 2015

Item 10 – Representatives' Reports- Stoolball

The Assistant Clerk emailed Barrie Feest regarding the problems reported at the last meeting with Stoolball playing on the recreation ground. Barrie did not reply, but James Heimers sent the following email after reading the minutes from 10th September 2015:

Thanks for the minutes. I am surprised that Barrie hasn't been in attendance.

With regards to the Stoolball, I do not agree with the outcome. As far as I am aware it is the cricket club who have the "right to play" during the summer. Furthermore, I think the health of the cricket square is a valid concern. It has been re-laid at vast expense and even the yearly maintenance required is in the thousands of pounds. The square suffers easily from wear and tear and the damage is not always obvious, which is why the area is roped off. As such, I think the roped off area should be respected.

The Assistant Clerk advised James that these issues are best dealt with if someone from the Cricket Club Committee attends the Advisory Committee meetings. *Please can the Committee advise what action should be taken to resolve this matter.*

The Committee would like all parties to be agreeable to this situation. Cllr. E Wallace advised that she attended an on-site meeting with the Cricket Club and a Stoolball representative, see minutes dated 12th June 2014, item no 6, where all parties were in agreement about where to play. Cllr. E Wallace suggested another site meeting with the Cricket Club and the Stoolball Team. Nev James also commented that if the Stoolball area was to change, the Pythons will also need to be involved. The Assistant Clerk was instructed to set up a meeting with all relevant parties.

Item 10 – Representatives' Reports- U12's Pythons

Deane asked Nev James for the keys, but Nev could not locate them. Nev then requested 3 copies of keys for all the Python teams, which the Parish Office has now provided, which has been paid for by the Pythons.

14. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Allotments

Mr & Mrs Nunns reported that the grass verges need cutting, the ditch needs strimming and shed roofs and doors are in need of repair. The Assistant Clerk advised that she has instructed the Groundsman again to cut the verges and strim the ditch and if the allotment holders contact the Parish Office about shed repairs, they will get repaired. Mr Nunns commented that allotment holders weren't aware that the sheds were maintained by the Parish Council. The Assistant Clerk advised that this is written in their agreements.

PFC

Terry reported that things are not good at the moment; the team have not won a game so far this season.

The Assistant Clerk advised that the Caretaker has reported that football kit is being left in the corridor by the access door, which is causing a hazard. The Caretaker has advised, that whilst in season, they can leave the kit in changing room 1. Terry will bring this up at the next PFC meeting.

Cllr. Court advised that people were parking in the yellow square, which is for emergency vehicle use only, when matches are being played. Terry will also raise this matter at the next PFC meeting.

Youth Club

The Youth Worker, Ben Sheldon, sent in a quarterly report, which the R&OS Committee will see under 'Additional Correspondence'. Cllr. E Wallace reported that the Pulborough Youth Club is currently being held at the URC.

Pythons

Nev James advised that 3 teams have started the season. The U12's are still finding their feet, the U13's had a cup game and won 17-0 and the U16's have played 3 games and won 3 games and are joint top. Nev offered apologies to PFC as the U13's Manager, who had not played at home before, played on the PFC pitch. Deane has marked out the U12's pitch as agreed by the Committee and Nev thanked him for taking on the role.

S&SC

Cllr. E Wallace reported that she has spoken to the S&SC regarding the complaints received about the kitchen. The plug socket with the burn on it does not get used anymore, but Cllr. E Wallace will get a safety plug socket for it. The S&SC have tried to repair various parts on the kitchen light, but it still does not work. Therefore, they assume it is a problem with the main electrics and would like the Parish Council to get this looked at. They also have a leak, which is why a bucket is in the kitchen. Members questioned whether a regular safety report was carried out on the main electrics. The Assistant Clerk advised that all the electrics were replaced approximately 7 years ago. The Assistant Clerk was instructed to find out if a safety report is carried out and add this item to the R&OS agenda for November 2015.

Date of Next meeting: 19th November 2015

Meeting closed at 8.00pm

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