

**Minutes of Histon & Impington Parish Council Recreation Committee  
Recreation Ground Community Room, New Road, Impington  
Thursday, 14 August 2014 at 7pm**

**Recreation Committee Minutes**

**Membership: 7 + 2 ex-officio, 4 User-Representatives**

**Quorum: 3 Parish Councillors**

<b>Agenda No:</b>	Present: <b>Cllrs:</b> Neil Davies (Chairman), Brian Ing, David Jenkins (ex-officio), Denis Payne (ex-officio) Steve Campin (Groundsman), Lynda Marsh (Clerk)	
R14/034	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllrs Cleaver and Andrews, Mr Franklin, Mr Peck Cllrs Stonham and Wood were absent	
R14/035	<b>MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> To receive declaration of pecuniary interest from Councillors <b>for items on the agenda.</b> None received	
R14/036	<b>TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 8 July 2014</b> Item deferred to next meeting	
R14/037	<b>TO AGREE FENCING CONTRACTOR</b> Three updated quotes received; report copied to all (appx 1). The purpose of the proposed fencing was to address health and safety issues regarding pests and improve security of the recreation ground. Contractor One – total quote £27,444.00+vat. Three verbal references received from Girton PC, Mildenhall PC and Ground Services Manager at Elveden Centre Parc. Contractor Two – total quote £36,918.60+vat. Known, local contractor; has previously carried out work for the Council. Contractor Three – total quote £40,541.81+vat. Company not known; quote received via a contractor originally approached who had advised that job too large. Fourth contractor approached, no response received. Discussion took place on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible interpretation of specification; all three appeared to be 'like for like'</li> <li>• Quality of materials, varying day rates chargeable</li> <li>• Possibility of phased work acknowledging that costs would be relative to amount of materials purchased at one time</li> <li>• Urgency of work and need for works to be carried out on continuous basis</li> <li>• Concerns on difference in quotes – good or bad?</li> <li>• Timescales, amount of manpower available to each contractor</li> </ul> Cllr Jenkins requested that examples of work carried out by contractor one be viewed. Cllr Davies proposed that the quote from contractor one be accepted subject to a satisfactory meeting and site visit and provided that work could be carried out in acceptable timescale, seconded Cllr Jenkins and agreed. If meeting proves unsatisfactory, contractor two would be contacted.	<b>Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10</b>
R14/038	<b>HAYTER HARRIER MOWER</b> Mr Campin reported that the Hayter Mower required replacement engine at cost of £351.50+vat. Mower 4 ½ years old and Hayter now offer 5 year guarantee. Quotes obtained to replace: Mower People £665.83+vat; Tomlinsons £637.00+vat; MowDirect (internet) £624.17+vat. Proposed Cllr Ing and agreed to purchase new mower from Mower People if able to match Tomlinson's price.	
R14/039	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Proposed Monday, 22 September 2014 at 7.30pm	
	Meeting closed at 7.30pm	