Minutes of Histon & Impington Parish Council Recreation Committee The Parish Office, New Road, Impington Monday, 23 November 2015 at 7.30pm

Recreation Committee Minutes

Membership: 5 + 2 ex-officio, 4 User-Representatives Quorum: 3 Parish Councillors

Agenda No:	Present: Cllrs Neil Davies (Chair), Andy Butcher, Marian Cleaver, Brian Ing (in part), David Jenkins (ex-officio) Also: Mr Peck (Cricket), Mrs Fidler (Tennis Club), Mr Franklin (Bowls) Steve Campin (Groundsman), Lynda Marsh (Clerk)	
R15/033	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies received from Cllr Stonham. Cllr Davies welcomed Cllr Butcher to the committee.	
R15/034	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Davies declared a non-pecuniary interest as member of Friends H&IRG (item R15/042) and as Histon Hornet Manager (item R15/043) Cllr Ing declared a non-pecuniary interest as cricket Club member (item R15/043) and chose to leave the room for this item.	
R15/035	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION No public participation	
R15/036	 TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS: 7 SEPTEMBER 2015 Proposed Cllr Jenkins, sec Cllr Davies and agreed to accept as a true record of the meeting. 19 OCTOBER 2015 Proposed Cllr Jenkins, sec Cllr Davies and agreed to accept as a true record of the meeting. 	
R15/037	MATTERS ARISING Actions List copied to all (Appx. 1) 15/007 Grasscrete to be ordered by end of year; Mr Campin request additional grasscrete at emergency gates on Fieldstead Road 15/022.1 Security of Tenure; Cllr Davies, Mr Peck and Clerk to progress 15/025.3 Histon Hornets tea wagon had been sold, item closed.	NSD/GP/LMM
R15/038	 SUMMARY OF PROPOSED EXPENDITURE AND UPDATE ON PROJECTS Updated report copied to all (Appx. 2) ➤ Cricket Nets. Project progressing, members had met with appointed contractor; Mr Peck to liaise with HFC with regards access, letter to be drafted. Installation period 2-3 weeks, 5-6 week settling period required before use. Fencing requirements would be reviewed once nets installed. ➤ Perimeter Fence. Height of fence to be raised to 2.4m, planning permission granted. Contractor appointed; sample panel installed and Clerk and Mr Campin had met with land owners who were satisfied with solution and had offered to contribute 50% of costs. ➤ Safety Cricket Netting. Supplementary report copied to all (Appx. 3) Design specification and location plan now to hand as previously requested. Cllr Davies felt that the proposal now be put forward for the Parish Council to make a judgement on whether the project should proceed, noting the recreation committee were in support. Recommendation: Following review, risk assessment carried out by Play Inspection Co and advice received from The Parish Council's insurance company, the committee submit funding request of up to £26,260.00 to the Parish Council to install cricket safety netting as per site plan and details in report. Proposed Cllr Jenkins, seconded Cllr Butcher and agreed to submit request to full council, subject to request for breakdown of costs. ➤ MUGA and Hardcourt Refurbishment. Cllr Davies reported on deterioration of 	GP



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	 MUGA fence and surface and possible health and safety issues. Cllr Davies requested that a decision be made at next recreation meeting to make a recommendation to full council to have works carried out next year. Noted this had been included in proposed capital budgets for 2016/17. Tennis Court Project – see agenda item R15/039 Rec Play Area. Supplementary report copied to all (Appx. 4). Two major areas of work required: the mound and timber items Cllr Davies suggested that in the first instance works be undertaken on the mound, options provided for either timber (£11,325) or recycled plastic (£12,480). Information on life expectancy of materials and sample of recycled plastic for committee to view to be requested; if satisfactory proposed Cllr Davies, sec Cllr Ing and agreed to accept quote from Gaskin Brothers to re-shape, turf and grass mat the mound installing recycled plastic posts and bridge beams. Funds to be accessed as required from play area expenditure budget and specified reserves. Replacement of remaining timber items to be reviewed once mound work complete. Community Room Floor – see Operations Report agenda item R15/042 	LMM
R15/039	TENNIS COURT PROJECT AND DRAINAGE UPDATE Updating report copied to all (Appx. 5) The report highlighted the issue of a historic drainage anomaly which would require addressing if any project within the area proceeded, minimum cost £77k if car park surface only undertaken, £123k if tennis court project included. Drainage Consultant had been contacted and had advised that 'green' solution was not viable. Paper to be forwarded to Tennis Club members as formal update.	NSD
R15/040	REVIEW OF ANNUAL PLAN 2015-16 Report copied to all (Appx. 6) Noting that the updated 'Summary of Proposed Expenditure' forms part of the annual plan. Discussion on: > Existing strategy > Existing users and their wish to increase membership > Possible new facilities > Mental health of young people and benefits of healthy lifestyle > Support of older users Cllr Davies had provided a template for all users to input their own clubs usage e.g. number of home fixtures. Clerk to collate information for review; this data could be used as evidence to demonstrate need for any future opportunities.	NSD/LMM
R15/041	CLUB MATTERS ➤ Noted Mr Crook had resigned from Histon Hornets; co-option of user-representative to be agenda item at next meeting. ➤	
R15/042	OPERATIONS REPORT Report copied to all (Appx. 7) Practice goals. Well used facility for young people and encouraged to use rather than match goals. Proposed Cllr Davies, seconded Cllr Cleaver and agreed to replace damaged goals at cost £776.00 + vat Confirmed that apprenticeship scheme a rolling programme Separate meeting to be arranged to discuss condition of car park Following an issue on 7 November raised by staff on duty, it was noted that the Groundsman or deputising Groundstaff have the final say in whether pitches are fit for use, and any decision must be respected. All pitches / matches to be booked via Groundsman. This to be communicated to Histon Hornets Community Room Floor. 3 quotes now to hand to refurbish wooden flooring. Proposed Cllr Ing, seconded Cllr Cleaver and agreed to accept quote from Cambridge Flooring for £2,460 + vat, noting contribution from Friends H&IR, net cost to Council £1,960 + vat To Re-Confirm Sponsorship Banners / Notices Policy. Feedback from Cricket Club that they accept the policy as previously circulated, but would request permission to display sponsorship banners on the rear of the score box for the duration of the season; the potential revenue loss would be significant to the Club; this was agreed.	NSD/SC SC/LMM/NSD
R15/043	 FINANCE REPORT ➤ Committee budgets Qtr 2 – report copied to all (Appx. 8). Noting update on proposed planting scheme required. 	



	 Budgets 2016/2017 – report copied to all (Appx. 9) Revenue expenditure expected £36,925, income expected £35,440. Capital expenditure request (specified reserves) £13,000 plus MUGA refurbishment and cricket safety netting if agreed. Net request £14,485, £90 increase on 2015/16. Proposed Cllr Cleaver, seconded Cllr Ing and agreed that net request of £14,485 be forwarded to Finance Committee for consideration, noting possible further funding request for MUGA refurbishment and cricket safety netting. Sports Club and Facility Charges 2016/17 (Appx. 10) Cllr Ing left the room. Proposed Cllr Cleaver, seconded Cllr Butcher and agreed to accept charges as detailed in schedule, noting that the Bowls Club annual charge will be confirmed once review of use of bowls club room completed. 	
R15/044	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	Proposed Monday, 25 January 2016 at 7.30pm	
	Meeting closed 8.40pm	
	Appendices attached: 1. Actions List 2. Summary of Proposed Expenditure 2015/2016 3. Cricket Nets - Site Safety 4. Play Area 5. Tennis Court Project 6. Annual Plan 7. Operations Report 8. Committee Budget Qtr 2 9. Budgets 2016/2017 10.Sports Club and Facility Charges 2016/2017	



