

**Minutes of Histon & Impington Parish Council Recreation Committee
Recreation Ground Community Room, New Road, Impington
Monday, 23 March 2015 at 7.30pm**

Recreation Committee Minutes

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

Quorum: 3 Parish Councillors

Agenda No:	Present: Cllrs: Neils Davies (Chairman), Marian Cleaver, Brian Ing, David Jenkins (ex-officio) Lynda Marsh (Clerk) Also: Mr Bradshaw (Histon Hornets), Mr Franklin (Bowls), Mr Peck (Cricket)	
R14/082	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Mr Campin (Groundsman, personal), Mr Dudley (Tennis, personal) Cllr Stonham was absent	
R14/083	MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Ing declared non-pecuniary interest as Deputy Chairman of Cricket Club	
R14/084	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION No members of public present	
R14/085	TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 26 JANUARY 2015 Proposed Cllr Ing, seconded Cllr Cleaver and agreed to accept as a true record	
R14/086	MATTERS ARISING <u>Actions List</u> copied to all (Appx. 1) 14/065 Drainage. Deed of easement would be required between HFC and Chivers Farms and Chivers have requested investigation by drainage engineer; HFC advised, response awaited R14/073 Cricket balls / play area / bowls green. Generic form provided by Cricket Club to monitor incidents. Letter received from Bowls Club raising concerns regarding stray cricket balls landing on green; advice sought from insurers who advise professional risk assessment carried out, quote from Play Inspection Company £395.00+vat; proposed Cllr Ing, seconded Cllr Cleaver and agreed to engage Play Inspection Co (under Clerk's delegated power, health and safety requirement)	LMM
R14/087	CLUB MATTERS Bowls Club. No items to report, season starts 22 April. Cricket Club. Mobile nets to be set up for start of season 18 April. Club to provide health and safety guidelines with regards use of nets and access through gate at HFC prior to start of season. Histon Hornets. Pitches in good condition; less evidence of rabbits. Fixtures due to be completed 29 April. Club to advise committee potential number of teams in advance of next season.	SB
R14/088	PLAY AREA REPORT Report copied to all (Appx.2). 'Walkabout' of all 3 areas undertaken by Chairman, Clerk and Mr Smith. Annual inspections due in May. Recreation Ground. New support to be welded to spiral slide £95.00+vat. South Road. Possible use as training area for Histon Hornets to be investigated; Mr Bradshaw view and report back to committee. The Green. Roll of chestnut paling fence to be purchased for fence repairs.	LMM SB LMM
R14/089	OPERATIONS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE <i>(Previously separate Clerks and Groundsman's reports)</i> Report copied to all (Appx. 3) Apprentice update. Advert had been re-opened, closing date 17 March; 6 applicants to be invited for interview. Proposed interview date 30 March. Noted that in interim previous grass contractor prepared to cover for 2 months, agreed. Cllr Davies to raise issue of use of tennis club room for possible temporary rest room facilities with the club, due to increasing number of staff. Advice received from local	BSI/LMM/SC

	contractor that installation of sink and water heater in bowls club pavilion would not meet current regulations.	
R14/090	<p>FINANCE REPORT</p> <p>Committee budgets to date and estimated year end budgets – reports copied to all (Appx. 4 & 5) Estimated £5,892 within overall budget. Noted largest savings on South Road and The Green play areas, tree works, water rates (weather dependant); income higher than expected largely due to increase in pavilion income of which 25% from Friends H&IRG activities. It was suggested request be made to FLA to consider budget surplus be applied to capital budget for play areas less an amount to be decided by FLA for Community Service fund.</p> <p>Review of requested revenue budget for 2015-16 to be undertaken; Committee Annual Plan to be progressed for April Parish Council meeting.</p>	NSD/LMM
R14/091	<p>RECREATION GROUND DEVELOPMENT PLAN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tennis Court Project. Process for engagement of professional support prior to any decision by the Parish Council to proceed with the project. 6 potential surveyors had been approached and following agreement at Council to engage professional support up to cost of £5,750, it was proposed Cllr Cleaver, seconded Cllr Jenkins and agreed to delegate to Clerk in consultation with Cllrs Davies and Ing to engage suitable surveyor. ➤ Cricket Net Project. Report copied to all (Appx. 6). Cllr Davies, Clerk and Groundsman had met with CC to look at potential replacement nets and possible relocation of entrance from car park to HFC; it was felt this could be an opportunity to replace fence and the committee were asked to note possible increase in cost of proposed project. Once quotes received proposal to be made to Parish Council in June. It should be noted that the existing fence is the property of HFC. ➤ Updated Recreation Ground Development Plan – report copied to all (Appx. 7). Report included suggested improvements to safety surfaces (currently bark chippings) and paths on recreation ground play area and that consideration be given to replacing fence at The Green play area. Website now improved, with online availability calendar. 	NSD/BSI/LMM
R14/092	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Proposed 1 June 2015 at 7.30pm</p>	
	Meeting closed at 8.15pm	