

Minutes of Histon & Impington Parish Council Recreation Committee
Via Zoom
Monday, 25th January 2021 at 7.30pm
Recreation Committee Minutes

Membership: 6 + 2 ex-officio, 4 User-Representatives

Quorum: 3 Parish Councillors

Agenda No:	Present: Cllrs Neil Davies (Chair), Brian Ing, David Jenkins, Marian Cleaver, Edd Stonham, Yvonne Murray (ex-officio), 1 vacancy Mrs Jane Fidler (Tennis Club), Joe Uttridge (Cricket Club), Martin Kirkup (Histon Hornets), Malcolm Green (Bowls Club) Steve Campin (Head Parish Groundsman) Office: Theresa King, Amelia Luck	
R20/033	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Denis Payne	
R20/034 034.1	MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Ing – President, Histon Cricket Club (non-pecuniary) item no. 20/031 Cllr Davies - Histon Hornets Manager item no. 20/031, and Charity Manager, Friends H&I Community (both non-pecuniary) Cllr Jenkins- Trustee of Eastern Learning Alliance.	
R20/035 035.1	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION 3 members of public in attendance to discuss item R20/040.2. Standing orders were suspended and item R20/040.2 brought forward with the agreement of the Committee	
R20/036 036.1	TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 2nd NOVEMBER 2020 (Appendix 1) Cllr Jenkins requested line in item 31.3 regarding facility charges is deleted from the minutes, as he felt it was not a fair representation of the meeting. All in favour and agreed the minutes and the change.	
R20/037 037.1 037.2	MATTERS ARISING Actions List copied to all (Appendix 2) <u>R20/018: Energy Survey</u> . Actions to be determined and reported to next meeting. <u>R20/019.4: 12 New Road</u> – work completed, item to be removed from list. <u>R20/026.2 3G provision</u> – agenda item later in meeting. Update after meeting. <u>R20/026.5 HFC boundary fence</u> discussed later in agenda <u>R20/029 Washing Facilities</u> – Capital bid approved by Full Council, work to start it April; item to be removed from list. Any other matters arising – none.	
R20/038 038.1	OPERATIONS REPORT Copied to all (Appendix 3). Items to note: <u>12 New Road Update</u> - all work completed satisfactorily. <u>Wooden fence on bowls green</u> - Cllr Davies and Head Parish Groundsman to inspect fence and provide update at next meeting.	ND/SC/ Clerk
R20/039 039.1 039.2	CLUB MATTERS Tennis Club - items to note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club wish to give thanks in regards to swift return to tennis in-between lockdowns; • Club advised that screens around grass courts are unusable and will need to be replaced for coming season; • Club wish to discuss fee discount as a result of lockdowns - Cllr Davies gave reassurance there will be a review of winter fees in March. Cricket Club - Mr Uttridge presented PowerPoint on plans to purchase an electronic score	ND/ Clerk

	<p>box for next season and storage of the same. (Appendix 4) Items covered included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • type of scoreboard, fixed or mobile • how to source power, possibility of eco-friendly electricity source • updated scoreboard required for Club to compete in relevant leagues • location of storage – ideally behind cricket practice nets • planning permission required for any storage container. <p>Office staff committed to look into planning permission issues and possible previous agreement to funding of storage. Mr Uttridge to create briefing paper which will be presented to next committee meeting for a decision to be made and possible paper to be submitted to Full Council.</p> <p>039.3 Histon Hornets- nothing to feedback, no training or games allowed in current lockdown. Review to be undertaken of goals currently stored behind hard court area.</p> <p>039.4 Croquet Club- no representative in attendance.</p> <p>039.5 Friends H&I Community- nothing to report.</p> <p>039.6 Bowls Club- Mr Green highlighted a gap in the fence/netting at the entrance used by ground staff which has been previously pointed out. . Cllr Davies and Head Parish Groundsman to inspect fence. Head Parish Groundsman suggested that in fixing the whole fence around the Bowls Green may fix the whole problem, as highlighted in Operations Report.</p>	<p>Clerk Mr Uttridge</p> <p>ND/SC</p>
<p>R20/040</p> <p>040.1</p> <p>040.2</p>	<p>OTHER MATTERS</p> <p>Feedback from workshop held 30th November- notes attached (Appendix 5). Items to be considered at next meeting in light of 3 year plans.</p> <p>Histon Football Club Holdings – matters of common interest Mr Barlow, representing Histon Football Club (HFC), introduced himself and stated that the club wishes to be a good neighbour. The club would like the stadium to be more of a community asset and seeks to improve facilities. He also stated that many of the teams associated with the club are training off site, often outside of the village, and this situation is hindered by grass pitches taking time to recover from use.</p> <p>Mr Palmer then introduced himself as a Director of Histon Football Club Holdings Limited (HFCHL) They own the land the football club sits on, and the pitch, which was donated by covenant and can only be used for sporting use. This is then leased to HFC, free of charge, with the proviso that the club maintains the grounds and pays running costs. HFCHL have very low income, mostly gained though rental of land by Cambs FA, any profit generated is donated to HFC.</p> <p>There are two main areas of common interest. The first is the boundary fence between the HFC ground and the Recreation Ground which was discussed and the following noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested fence is built higher to stop balls leaving the recreation ground; • Possible gate for access onto HFC land, possibly allowing for use of HFC car park for events at Recreation Ground, although this may encourage more footfall over the pitches, creating damage; • Replacement to be welded wire mesh fencing; • A fence over 2.4m high would need planning permission; • Grant funding to be investigated by HFCHL as their contribution towards replacement. <p>It was agreed that a specification should be written of what is required and three quotes obtained for the next Committee meeting, with a view to presenting a Capital Bid request to Full Council in due course.</p> <p>The second item of interest was the Proposal for 3G pitch which was supported by a paper prepared by Cllr Davies and circulated (Appendix 6). HFC have considered replacing their grass pitch with a 3G pitch; however there are only 2 types of 3G pitches, a community version and an elite version, and although the community version would help in</p>	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>ND/ Clerk</p>

	<p>making the club more active in the community, it would preclude the club from progressing in the football leagues. Cambs FA and the Football League have suggested that two 3G pitches will be needed in the village, and they have inferred they may help with creating these sites.</p> <p>The area discussed for siting of a 3G pitch on the Recreation Ground is behind the conifers on the football club boundary with the Recreation Ground, with access from the football club site and the Recreation Ground itself. This land is leased to the Recreation Ground. After a discussion of various issues, a recommendation was made to create a full project plan to submit to the landowner for consideration. In order to facilitate this, Cllr Jenkins will pull together all input from concerned partners, including Impington Village College, by middle of February 2021 for further consideration.</p> <p>Standing orders were reinstated.</p>	<p>JDJ</p>
040.3	Climate emergency- energy efficacy survey: committee to receive update at next meeting.	YM/ Office
040.4	Improvements to Public toilets: Cllr Murray and Head Groundsman to create specification, gather quotes and report back at next meeting	YM/SC
040.5	Outside community room proposal – paper circulated by Cllr Davies (Appendix 7). A brief discussion was held on the suitability of the suggestion, with pros and cons discussed. Cllr Davies to consider options in more detail and bring back to next committee meeting.	ND
040.6	Training for Assistant Groundsman- all agreed necessary spending and all in favour to delegate this item to office staff and Cllr Murray.	Office/ YM
R20/041	FINANCE REPORT	
041.1	Quarterly Committee budgets to date (Appendix 8) -attached. Clerk highlighted reduction in income and expenditure.	
041.2	Budgets 2021 -2022 (Appendix 9). F&A committee have accepted the proposed budget for 2021-2022 and used to decide on precept setting.	
041.3	3 Year Plan Review (Appendix 10) Clerk to update and bring to next committee meeting in order to prioritise projects in light of recommendations from F&A Committee.	Clerk
R20/042	DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS	
042.1	Dates of next meetings proposed as 22 March 2021 and 24 May 2021	
R20/043	Meeting closed at 9:10pm	
	<p>Appendices attached: Appendix 1 – Minutes from 2nd November 2020 Appendix 2 – Actions List Appendix 3 - Operations Report Appendix 4 – Cricket Scoreboard presentation Appendix 5 - Notes from Workshop 30th November 2020 Appendix 6 – 3G Football pitch paper Appendix 7 – Outside Community Room paper Appendix 8 - Committee Budgets to Date Appendix 9 – Proposed Budgets 2021-22 Appendix 10 – 3 Year Plan</p>	

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