



Minutes of the Committee General Meeting

Held at the John Pygram Pavilion, Thursday 27th April 2017

Present: Jerry Wells (JW), Bill Norman (BN), Dave Nightingale (DN), Dave Curtis (DC), Paul Pates (PP)

Apologies: Darren Pitt (DP), Helen Finbow (HF), Jemma Kingsbury (JK), Chris Richards (CR)

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with the inclusion of the welcome onto the committee of Paul Pates as representative of Wethersfield Cricket Club.

Finance and regulation

FINANCIAL REPORT

As of 26/04/2017 - Barclays current account	£1,714.97
Barclays Base rate	£105.44
Virgin Charity	£17,977.63
Cash	£184.76
	£19,982.80
Outstanding liabilities	Field rolling £150 est., Replacement fire alarm battery £100 est., Mower's servicing £100 est.
Outstanding income	Tennis subs £140
Committed future expend	Hand dryer to children's toilets £250 est.
Reconciled total balance	£19,522.14

In response to **CR's** request to gain an understanding of how the Solar panel FIT payments are impacting upon finances **BN** produced a brief overview:

Saving in cost of electricity in the 1st year of solar power = £550

Saving in cost of electricity in the 2nd year of solar power = £550

FIT payments in the 1st year = £1500

FIT payments in the 2nd year = £1400

BN predicted that the FIT payment would probably increase.

ECC GRANT

BN confirmed that the increased annual payment of £1000 had been received from Wethersfield Primary School.

JW thanked BN for his report.

PAVILION BOOKINGS REPORT

DN reported that bookings had realised £400 during the last quarter. BN pointed out that the Rounders Club needed to provide details of their matches for the season so that they could be entered in the web calendar

Pavilion Complex

PRE-SCHOOL

Report deferred to next meeting in the absence of a representative from the Pre-School

WORKING PARTY OVER SUMMER RECESS

JW proposed that the planned general painting refurbishment be carried out this year along with a refurbishment of the main hall floor. Those present agreed.

Action: [Working party to action in the Summer recess.](#)

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

DN reported that:

- Ventilation in Ladies toilets has been fixed.
- Sensors in the changing rooms has been fixed.
- Circular tables to have secure pin system to prevent their tendency to collapse.
- Waiting on an estimate for a hand dryer in the children's toilets.

BN informed the meeting that Julia Broad had agreed to perform cleaning duties in the Pavilion on a regular basis. It was agreed that her cleaning should be restricted to the main hall, the kitchen, the access corridor and the toilets. Cleaning the changing rooms remained the responsibility of the individual sports clubs as and when they were used.

DN reported that the fire alarm needed some attention and this was to be done by the relevant service within the next few days.

ASH TRAYS

DN reported that two ash bins had been purchased and one would be located outside the main access door while the other would be positioned outside the

terrace near the steps.

Action: DN to look after installation

Playing field

BDC's PLANS TO PROVIDE LARGER GLASS RECYCLING CONTAINERS

JW read an email from the BDC to those present in which the BDC declared that they were in agreement with the DFPFA that the playing field car park was not suited to accommodating either the current recycling service or an alternative system involving larger containers. The BDC also stated that they had been unable to identify an alternative location within or near the confines of the village and that in future residents would be obliged to use existing services in the region.

DAMAGE TO PLAYING FIELD NOTICE BOARD

Still to do

Action: JW/BN/DN to follow up

LEAGUE FOOTBALL

JW said he had no news from DP on any progress with other football clubs wanting to use the pitch on the playing field

EXTENDED PROTECTION ON WESTERN BOUNDARY

JW read out an email from David Holliday, treasurer and captain of WCC, which described the club's intention to protect the boundary from John Ayton's property to the NW corner of the playing field. This would involve the use of light weight poles of less height and more netting.

ERECTION OF A SINGLE LARGE GOALPOST AT ONE END OF THE FOOTBALL PITCH

JW informed those present that the youths who regularly played ad hoc football on a daily basis had asked if one of the full size goalposts could be re-installed.

JW and BN resolved to do for the end of the summer

EASTERN BOUNDARY FENCE REPAIR

JW pointed out that some of the fencing on the eastern boundary towards the row of fir trees had been completely dismantled apparently by users of the field refusing to use the specially built accesses along the length of the fence.

DN and BN to follow up.

PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP FIELD BORDERING EASTERN BOUNDARY

JW reported that the whole business awaited the next BDC Local Plan Sub Committee meeting in June when more representations would be made by the PC and other local residents/residents' representatives.

Action: JW to continue to represent the DFPFA's interests at any future meetings report back to committee.

RESIDENTS USE OF THE CAR PARK

JW referred to the large minibus/camper van which had been parked in the car park for a few months as flagrant example of the abuse of the DFPFA's services. DC said he knew where the owner of the van lived and the committee agreed that a letter should be sent advising that the vehicle should be removed without further delay. It was also agreed that as a general rule it was acceptable that nearby residents could use the car park overnight as long as the cars were used/removed during normal daylight hours. Owners of vehicles that remain parked on a permanent basis however should be warned that their vehicles would be removed by the authorities.

JW to write letter, DC to deliver to van owner.

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND PROTECTIVE MATTING

It was agreed to try and tackle this during the Pre-School summer break

JW to purchase matting

A.O.B.

FUN DAY 2017

The committee agreed to hold the next Fun Day meeting on Wednesday June 14th at which point it was hoped to confirm the majority of the outstanding issues. BN informed those present that Hamish ? of Wethersfield would be checking our power sources at some point to identify what would be required re-cabling etc; to safely power the inflatables and live music on the day.

WCC INAUGURATION OF NEW PRACTICE NETS

JW referred to David Holliday's email inviting as many people as possible to the inaugural opening of the new nets by the ECC Head of Council and by former E.C.C. player Graham Napier. This would take place during the club's first home match on 22nd April during the break for tea.

Next Meeting:

Thursday 20th July, 7.30pm at the Pavilion