

DRAFT MINUTES – SUBJECT TO REVISION AT THE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Facilities sub-committee of Waterbeach Parish Council held on Tuesday, 11th March, 2008 at 7.30 p.m. in the New Pavilion.

Present: Parish Councillors: Mr. W. Grant (Chairman); Ms. G. Smith; Mrs. J. Williamson; Mr. A. Wright; Bowls: Mr. T. Reuben; Colt cricket and colts football: Mr. C. Nelson; Football: Mr. T. Harris; Waterbeach Wanderers Football: Mr. R. Chapman; Waterbeach Parish Council: Mr. D. Smart.

1. **Apologies:** Parish Councillors: Dr. C. Grant; Mr. P. Johnson.

2. **Declaration of Interests:** there were none.

3. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13th November, 2008:**

Mr. Reuben proposed, seconded by Mr. Harris and agreed that the Minutes be signed.

4. **Clerk's report and matters arising from the minutes:**

Community/Youth building – planning decision pending

Groundsman's shed – planning decision pending

Cricket nets – a grant application has been submitted to SCDC.

Goal mouth ownership – Mr. Lawton, Football Club, had e.mailed that the posts belong to the Council. Mr. Harris would find out when the Under 17s purchased the set which belongs to them. He would also inform the Council how much they cost and the expected life.

5. **Arnold Scrivener Cup:**

It was agreed that the rounders competition would be played on 18th May. The organisation and safety of the event alongside the Colts Beer Festival would be improved. It is hoped that the sports teams will enter a team and assist with officiating at the tournament.

6. **Beer Festival:**

This is being organised for the weekend of 16th – 18th May. The event would be run as in previous years.

7. **Issues raised by the Clubs**

i. Bowls Club:

The groundsman is using the swish with good effects.

It is hoped that, weather permitting, the green is prepared for opening on 19th April with the first match to be played on 8th May.

Parents and older members of the Colts Football club would like to participate in a bowls friendly roll up.

ii. Cricket Club – no representative present.

iii. Colts Cricket Club – an under 12 and an under 14 team will be fielded. Practise nets have been held at Cottenham during the winter and new equipment purchased. Games will start in early May.

iv. Football

a. Waterbeach Football – dissatisfaction that the fees are too high and not affordable. It was explained by the Chairman that the Council consider that the fees are a fair level for the facilities which are provided and sufficiently subsidised. The fees are now increased annually in line with the increase in precept. It was agreed that fees charged by other councils would be obtained.

Charge for additional non fixtured game – the charging for this game was queried and objected to. It was explained that the game had been charged as the groundsman had requested that the pitch was not used for a game but had agreed to training taking place to the side of the garage pitch.

It was explained that in order that the area is kept in a playable condition for football and a safe condition for all other users of the recreation ground time spent on maintenance is necessary.

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- b. Waterbeach Wanderers – Agreement that the cost of the pitch is high.
It was agreed that the Council would provide costings for football facilities.
 - v. Colts Football Club – it is expected that there may be one or two less teams next season.
Equipment is being stored in the container belonging to the cricket club.
- 8. Correspondence:** there was none
- 9. Next meeting:**
- a. Items for the next agenda:
 - Fees: Club accounts
 - Fees paid by other clubs/charged by other councils
 - Council costings.
 - b. Dates: 10th June, 2008
30th September, 2008
9th December, 2008

The meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.

Chairman Date

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