

Minutes of the Waterbeach Parish Council Recreation Facilities Users Committee held on Tuesday, 9th March, 2010 at 7.30 p.m. in the New Pavilion, Cambridge Road

Present: Mrs J. Cornwell; Ms. N Kay; Ms. G. Smith; Mrs J. Williamson (Parish Councillors); Mr J Davies (Cricket); Mr T. Reuben (Bowls); Mr G Reynolds (Colts Football); Mr K Wells (Football)

In attendance: Mr P. Johnson; the clerk; four members of the public

1. Apologies:

Mr C Nelson (Colts Cricket); Mr R Chapman (Waterbeach Wanderers)

2. Declarations of Interest for items on the agenda:

None

3. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 8th December

Ms Kay proposed, seconded by Ms Smith and approved that the Minutes be approved

4. To receive clerk's report including matters arising:

i. All weather pitch

Information about the facility at Little Thetford was provided. However this information is for a facility provided from bare ground not for a resurfacing of an existing facility. It was agreed that information for resurfacing the existing tennis courts with an all weather multi sport surface should be sought.

5. To update on projects on the recreation ground:

i. Community/youth building

The building of Tillage Hall has commenced and work will progress throughout the summer and autumn. Clubs were requested to inform the Council of any events happening in order that the contractors could be kept informed.

6. Matters raised by representatives of

i. Bowls Club

Request to amend the lack of information given in the Council Newsletter regarding funding of the watering system for the bowls green. It should be noted that the Bowls Club made a significant contribution to the scheme

Request that repairs are carried to the fencing between the skateboard area and the bowls green.

ii. Cricket Club

Clash of cricket match and Football festival – representatives of the Colts Football Club gave an assurance that additional stewards would be on duty to ensure adequate health and safety cover.

iii. Colts Cricket

An under 12 and an under 14 team will be playing this season – a fixture list was provided for the Council

iv. Football Club – Colts

Security fronts for shelving – the Council had agreed that they do not have funds to provide the requested security for sports club equipment.

Football goals – request that consideration is given to providing further goals with grant funding when the next budget is prepared.

Storage for goals – request that storage is provided for the goals

v. Waterbeach Football Club

Increase in fees – an invitation was given to the Council to attend a meeting on 16th March to discuss the proposed increase in fees. This invitation could not be accepted due to other Council meetings. I

vi. Waterbeach Wanderers Football

Concern about proposed increase in fees

All of the above clubs agreed that the proposed increase in fees of 22% in line with Council policy to increase by same percentage as set precept. It was suggested that clubs should write to the Council who would consider the concerns when agreeing the fees for 2010/2011

7. To consider whether dogs should be allowed on the recreation ground

- i. information relating to regulations

Information from DeFRA regarding Dog Control Orders was circulated.

Meeting closed to allow members of the public to speak

Members expressed considered that as dogs had always been exercised on the recreation ground the practise should continue and that any problems with dog fouling and dogs not being on a lead could be attributed to a few dog owners. Public present agreed that they were willing to be trained to issue Dog Control Notices

The meeting re-opened

It was agreed that the clerk should obtain more information about training for issuing notices, that a notice be produced and displayed to encourage people to notify the clerk of any persons not clearing up dog fouling or not keeping their dogs on leads whilst on the recreation ground.

8. Items for the next agenda

- i. items for agenda

- Training for dog wardens

- Line manager for groundsperson

- Use of Tillage Hall

- ii Date of next meeting: 8th June 2010 – subject to change

Meeting ended 8.25 p.m.

Chairman Date