

**WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**PLAYING FIELD & PARKS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019 7.00pm AT THE HILL,**  
**HIGH STREET, WOLLASTON**

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT**

Messrs Bailey, Green, Milroy, Mitchell, Silsby and Savage.

**MEMBERS/PUBLIC PRESENT**

One member of the public to ask permission to use the field on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April for a kite flying event. It was agreed the field can be used on the understanding that the football pitches and cricket square are avoided. It was also agreed that the clubhouse facilities could be used as they will already be open for a football match in the morning.

Mrs P Bailey.

**APOLOGIES**

Mr Perry.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The year-end budget review was discussed and it was noted that the finances remained within budget. Although there was an over-spend on sundry repairs/maintenance, this was countered by no spending on tree work and an underspend on hedges being cut as only one cut was carried out.

**PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

Mr Savage handed the reports to the Clerk, with nothing to action.

Mrs Bailey has now sent a draft grant form to the Borough Council for approval in principle for adult gym equipment (4 pieces). A discussion took place regarding siting of the equipment – the risk assessment from the installer suggests that the desired location would be on the main field, not the play area. It was agreed that the positioning of the equipment will be agreed at the next Playing Field meeting whilst on site and that Mrs Bailey should apply for the grant in the meantime.

**POCKET PARK**

The locking/unlocking of the gates has been sporadic – Clerk to contact Scott Bader security and remind them of the summer/winter opening hours.

**SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT**

Mr Green reported that the reserves team and veterans are playing well, with the season soon to finish. Mr Silsby reported that the alarm system is due to be fitted next week. An indoor storage area is being made for equipment and the scoreboard work will be complete within the next couple of weeks. Grass cutting has commenced. The condition of the ground has improved recently, top soil is being delivered and the weed spraying is due to be done in next couple of weeks. New metal benches are being made for the patio area.

**PURCHASES REQUIRED**

The new line marker has been delivered and the replacement mower and blower have now been bought with the insurance claim money.

Mr Green and Mr Savage will try to speak with their contact regarding shipping containers for the field. The Clerk and Mr Silsby will meet at the field to discuss positioning and amount of fencing required for the containers. The Clerk will make an appointment with a fencing company to get a quote prior to completing the Borough Council capital grant forms.

**FIELD MAINTENANCE/MATTERS RELATING TO THE FIELD**

The solicitor has now been instructed to carry out the legal work for the transfer of public open space at The Pyghtles. The Clerk met with Hayeswood to get a quote for extra grass/vegetation maintenance at The Pyghtles that is to be included in the specification once the transfer has taken place.

Dogs off leads and fouling are still causing issues – it was agreed the Clerk will compile an article to be put on the Community Facebook page informing that if the situation continues a Dog Control Order will be sought and there will be a complete ban on dogs using the field.

There being no further business the meeting finished at 7.55pm.

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