

WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL
PLAYING FIELD & PARKS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2018 7.00pm AT THE HILL,
HIGH STREET, WOLLASTON

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Messrs Bailey, Green, Mitchell, Savage and Silsby.

MEMBERS/PUBLIC PRESENT

None.

APOLOGIES

Mr Perry.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 10th January 2018 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Payments made since the last meeting: £27.62 EON for floodlight charges, £23.50 Rushden Graphics for replacement play equipment sign at St Mary's, £46.00 M E Electrical for floodlight repairs. The budget for 2018/19 was discussed, in particular the need for the Parish Council to tighten up on spending due to unknown expenditure that will be incurred due to the County Council budget cuts. The revenue allocation from the Parish Council has been decreased by £1,000.00 for the coming financial year and the only item feasible to cut from the Playing Field budget is the amount spent on having the septic tank emptied; as this was originally paid for by the Sports Association and assistance given over the past few years when the Association was experiencing financial difficulties, it was agreed that this will revert back to the Sports Association to pay.

PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Mr Savage handed the reports to the Clerk. Mr Silsby mentioned the edges of the play area surface lifting at London Road – it is planned that these surfaces will be renewed in the new financial year.

POCKET PARK

The Clerk spoke with Scott Bader security who very kindly agreed some years ago to lock and unlock the gates. Due to staff holidays and the poor weather, the gates have not been unlocked as per original agreement but the Clerk has now been assured that the winter opening times (9am-4pm) will resume. There is currently a lack of volunteers; the Clerk assists where possible and will try to encourage some more volunteers.

SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr Green advised of the 125th year anniversary of the Wollaston Vics club this year and a celebratory day at the field is planned for the 24th March.

The youth football clubs have been asked not to train on the top pitch for a few weeks as it was getting in poor condition. In future there will be no training on the top pitch December and January.

The Clerk and treasurer of the Sports Association have arranged for a new electricity supplier and are hopeful that a Smartmeter can be installed so that any high consumption items can be highlighted and rectified.

Reinstatement work around the replacement water pipe on the field and play area needs looking at as the ground appears to have sunk – Clerk to investigate.

There is still some outstanding work to be carried out on the CCTV system.

PURCHASES REQUIRED

Mr Silsby is making contact with Door Spring Supplies to organise the rest of the shutters to be replaced.

FIELD MAINTENANCE/MATTERS RELATING TO THE FIELD

Nothing to report.

There being no further business the meeting finished at 7.45pm.

Chairman.....