

WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL
PLAYING FIELD & PARKS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH MARCH 2019 7.00pm AT THE HILL,
HIGH STREET, WOLLASTON

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS/PUBLIC PRESENT

Mrs P Bailey.

APOLOGIES

Mr Bailey.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 12th February 2019 were agreed and signed as a correct record, having altered a sentence in the last paragraph to read: **“The possibility of purchasing equipment for an outdoor gym was discussed and met with general approval, subject to receiving funding grants.”**

FINANCIAL REPORT

Payments made since the last meeting: £9.35 EON for floodlight charges, £26.70 Wellingborough Norse for wheelie bin emptying.

PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Mr Savage will make the inspections and deliver reports to the Clerk.

POCKET PARK

Nothing to report.

SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr Perry reported that the football season is coming to an end and there shouldn't be any crossover when the cricket season starts. All football teams are performing well, with the Vets reaching the County Cup final in Kettering. The youth team are training back down the field. The pitches require some maintenance.

Mr Silsby advised they were unsuccessful in achieving a grant to make good the outfield. Due to timing and lack of funds this area will be monitored and alternative measures may be taken to improve it eg hire a roller and then weed and feed it; this will be discussed at the cricket club meeting next week.

Following the meeting between Storm Tennis, Mr Perry and Mr Savage, Storm were invited to attend this meeting before a decision is made as to whether use of the tennis courts could be granted; Storm Tennis did not respond to the invitation and therefore no further action is required on this matter.

Dogs on field – no more problems than usual were reported. Should the situation worsen it will be necessary to advertise that dogs will be banned from the field if owners do not adhere to the current rules.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the verbal estimate for a replacement brick built tractor shed and associated work does not represent good value for money. A discussion then took place regarding using shipping containers with security fencing located near the batting cage. Mr Green will make enquiries with his contact regarding the purchase of containers. The electricity board will need to be contacted to get an estimate for moving the meters inside the clubhouse.

Section 106 future projects were discussed. Members of the Sports Association advised that an off-site area of land near the proposed development would work well as a training area for the youth teams for both football and cricket and would alleviate the stress on the current resources.

PURCHASES REQUIRED

Mr Savage has organised quotations for upgrading the floodlights to the tennis courts – the Clerk was asked to order the materials as soon as possible, in readiness for the electrician to start work in the new financial year.

Mr Perry will order a new line marker which the Playing Field committee will be paying for as a grant.

Mrs Bailey & Mrs Milroy made a presentation on the adult gym equipment project. It was agreed that Mrs Bailey will complete and submit the Borough Council Capital Grant forms as soon as possible.

FIELD MAINTENANCE/MATTERS RELATING TO THE FIELD

The Clerk advised that the tennis courts had been power washed.

The Clerk has been working with Persimmon Homes in the transfer of public open space at The Pyghtles. Work has been completed and solicitors are due to be instructed.

There being no further business the meeting finished at 8.22pm.

Chairman.....