

WOLLASTON PARISH COUNCIL
PLAYING FIELD & PARKS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9TH MAY 2017 7.00pm AT THE CLUBHOUSE,
LONDON ROAD PLAYING FIELD, WOLLASTON

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Messrs Bailey, Green, Mitchell, Perry, Rooney, Savage and Silsby.

MEMBERS/PUBLIC PRESENT

None.

APOLOGIES

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 11th April 2017 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Approval was given by the Parish Council to carry forward the £4000 underspend from 2016/17. Payments made in April as follows: £135.00 Wellingborough Norse for replacement wheelie bin, £24.57 Eon for floodlight energy, £104.76 Barton Petroleum for tractor diesel, £660.00 for tennis courts to be power washed and £108.00 to Simon Norris for repairs to fence at London Road play area and clearing of pocket park culvert.

Payments to be made in May: £30.97 Eon for floodlight energy to tennis courts, £46.84 Wellingborough Norse for wheelie bin emptying, £332.50 for 6 months of litter picking/dog and waste bin emptying, £450.00 Heritage Arboriculture for removal of damaged goat willow in the pocket park, £315.85 to Day & Coles for repair to mower on the tractor, £300.00 to Pestforce for mole control and £505.10 Glasdon for picnic bench at London Road play area.

Mr Silsby requested £330.00 credit be paid to Barton Petroleum in advance for the next 3 lots of diesel – this was agreed.

PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Mr Savage reported that the equipment is in good order at the playing field; St Mary's play area safety surface under the swings and multi-play area is in need of re-surfacing; this was agreed as per the budget – Mr Savage will place the order.

Mr Savage will purchase new basketball nets.

Mr Savage will look at equipment suitable for St Mary's to break up the area where football is being played. This will be relayed to a resident that had sent a letter of concern that children were being told off for playing ball games – hopefully more equipment in the area will discourage the playing of ball games on St Mary's as there is a byelaw in place.

The Pyghtles public open space including the play area was discussed – the responsibility still lies with Persimmon Homes but the contact the Parish Council previously had has left the company. The Clerk will make contact to discuss outstanding remedial work required prior to the Parish Council taking responsibility.

PROPOSED TREE MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Clerk had distributed this document prior to the meeting. Members agreed they will recommend adoption to the Parish Council at the next meeting on the 18th May.

POCKET PARK

Heritage Arboriculture has removed the damaged goat willow which, on inspection, had rotted and the remainder was dangerously close to the adjacent property.

SPORTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr Perry advised football is finishing this evening. The top pitch will have loam and will be reseeded. The Clerk was asked to get a price for fertilising the field from Mr Wilcox and will let Mr Perry know. Cricket has started with the youth doing well. The overseas player has settled in.

Security is ongoing.

Mr Green requested permission for new brighter bulbs in the floodlights, cost to be borne by youth football – this was agreed.

PURCHASES REQUIRED

None.

FIELD MAINTENANCE/MATTERS RELATING TO THE FIELD

The pest control contract has been renewed. Some signs of rabbits on the field. The Clerk will enquire with the Co-op regarding the community grants available.

There being no further business the meeting finished at 8.00pm.

Chairman.....