

PULBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

A Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Recreation & Open Spaces was held at the Sports Pavilion on Thursday, 12th April at 7.30 pm.

Present: Mrs C Barnett (Chairman) Mrs J Botting
Mr D Boulton Mr J Denison
Mrs A Lawson

Representatives: Mr B Feest (Cricket)
Mrs E Henly (Bowling)
Mr J Jupp (Football)
Mr J Leadbeatter (Groundsman)

14. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

15. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd March 2007, were received and signed.

16. Matters Arising

The Clerk handed the nets for the mini football goalposts to Mr Jupp.

The Clerk reported that a letter had been sent to the stoolball team asking for a map of their parking requirements on the Recreation Ground, as requested at the last meeting. Mr Jupp stated he would ask one of the members for a map.

The Clerk informed members that the caretaker had called in Hamilton Cole to fix the florescent light fitment in changing room 3 but was now aware that all such requests must be made via the Parish Office.

17. REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Groundsman

Mr Leadbeatter apologised for his absence from the last meeting but he had not received an agenda. Mr Feest (Cricket) had also not received an agenda and the Clerk was made aware of his change of address.

Mr Leadbeatter then advised members that CJ Uden, the drain specialists, had returned with a camera and internally viewed 68 metres of the drains under the Recreation Ground. They were due to send in their report but Mr Leadbeatter said it was not good news and the pipework from the tractor shed to Chestnut Walk had completely collapsed. Mrs Barnett instructed the Clerk to ascertain who had responsibility for any repairs to the pipes under the Recreation Ground and Mrs Lawson suggested the Clerk also find out whether any easement was agreed to run the pipes under Parish Council land.

Mr Leadbeatter informed the Committee that the Rugby Club had not been in touch or taken down their posts as yet. He asked whether the Rugby Club owned the shed they had used to store items as it was now empty and could

prove useful to the Cricket Club for storage. He finished by asking if Junior Football could move their nets so that he could mow in that area.

Cricket

Mr Feest commended the Groundsman on the quality of the outfield. He reported that the old sight screens had been removed and the first league match was on 28th April 2007.

Football

Mr Jupp reported that there was only one home game to be played and they expected to finish mid-table. He informed Mr Feest that Pythons would be playing a match against the parents and asked him to ensure the cricketers were not using the nets on that evening. Mr Feest agreed to look after the goal mouths during the summer.

Mr Jupp was then handed some quotations for floodlights and generators which the Clerk had found on the internet and was asked to choose which type would be best for their needs, the idea being to use the Recreation Ground at Cousins Way for training as it drained well. Mrs Barnett asked him to check whether power was already installed there.

Mrs Botting advised members that funding was available for clubs from the Chanctonbury County Local Committee and agreed to collect application forms when she attended the next meeting on the 17th April 2007.

Bowling

Mrs Henly reported that their season started on 21st April 2007 and the contractor had still not put on the top dressing. The Clerk was instructed to write to him concerning this and to ask him to ensure he did all the work to the bowling green, rather than send two young boys.

Mrs Henly also advised members that decorating had been done at the clubhouse.

18. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mrs Barnett advised members that the cleaner had been asked to include the meeting room as part of her agenda. The Clerk reported the cleaner had spent two hours earlier that week cleaning the room and members all agreed it looked much better.

Mrs Barnett then thanked the representatives for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.01pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 31st May 2007

..... Chairman

.....Date