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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON THURSDAY 30th October 2008 AT THE SPORTS PAVILION

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Barnett (Chairman), Cllrs Boulton (from 7.36pm) Denison, Jolliffe and Reeve.

REPRESENTATIVES: Mr Feest (Cricket), Mrs Henly (Bowls), Mr Jupp (Football), Mr James, (Pythons) and Mr Lewis (Groundsman).

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs L Hoff (Clerk).

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Jones (Netball).

14. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th September 2008 were received and signed.

15. Matters Arising

The Chairman advised members that a complaint had been received from New Place Nurseries concerning parking in their private lane. She stated that no parking was allowed there by users of the Recreation Ground. The representatives of the Football Club and the Pythons agreed it was fair comment but it had been a situation that happened last season. They agreed to ensure it would not be repeated.

The Clerk was instructed to contact the Allotment Society to have a notice stating no parking in the lane be put on their noticeboard.

The Clerk reported that the long pins had been put in the play area matting.

The Clerk advised members that she had obtained details of a vandal-proof shower/toilet block, which would cost between £38,000 and £60,000. Mr James stated Pythons would prefer to stay on the main recreation ground, so it would not be necessary.

16. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Groundsman

Mr Lewis reported he had settled in well and had no problems, as yet. He advised members that Mr Leadbeatter was to attend the demonstration of a leaf vacuum collector on 5th November 2008.

Football

Mr Jupp had nothing to report but asked why the trip for the floodlights had been moved into the tractor shed. This had caused a problem when the floodlights fused one evening, as no one had the key to the tractor shed. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain why it had been moved and to arrange to have the trip replaced in the original site.

Pythons

Mr James advised that the Pythons had 4 teams from u7s to u10s and they were going to a Brighton and Hove Albion match to watch the professionals play. He had been unaware that the Seagulls were doing a free training session on 29th October 2009, due to poor advertising. It was agreed the Clerk should inform both Mr James and Mr Jupp of any future training sessions.

It was reported that the u15s had found yet another rugby club socket protruding from the ground and it had been cut out. The Chairman asked Mr Jupp to thank them for undertaking that task.

Cricket

Mr Feest informed members it was a quiet time of the year. The annual dinner was to be held on Saturday and the grass wicket had been put on hold for another year and was now planned for autumn 2009.

Bowls

Mrs Henly reported it was the end of the season and Mr Randall was working on the green. He was planning to put the top dressing on earlier this year.

She gave her apologies for the next meeting.

The Chairman then thanked the representatives for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.57pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 20th November 2008

..... Chairman

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