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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON THURSDAY 23rd April 2009 AT THE SPORTS PAVILION

PRESENT: Cllr Mrs Barnett (Chairman), Cllrs Mrs Botting, Denison, Jolliffe, Mrs Lawson and Parker.

REPRESENTATIVES: Mr Feest (Cricket), Mrs Hooper (Stoolball), Mr Jupp (Football) and Mr Lewis (Groundsman).

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Clarke, Lesley Hoff (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

32. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Boulton and Mr Garland.

33. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th March 2009 were received and signed.

34. The Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that a list of keyholders had been received only from the Snooker Club.

35. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Groundsman

The Groundsman reported that things were going well. Mr Weekes had been to treat the Recreation Ground the previous week and he now had his equipment repaired to allow him to mow Cousins Way Recreation Ground. He advised that the fence between that Ground and the school was broken. The Clerk was instructed to advise the school.

Stoolball

Mrs Hooper advised that the stoolball season was due to start on 29th April 2009. This year there were to be three tournaments. There was one on 19th July 2009 and another on 6th September 2009. The Chairman reminded her that the key must be collected from the office. Mrs Hooper supplied a map of the parking area.

She stated there was a problem with the league tournament, which the Club has to host every eight years, as the Cricket Club were unable to let them have the pitches on 21st June 2009, as it was needed by a junior cricket team. Mr Feest offered to try to sort the problem.

Football

Mr Jupp advised that the 1st Team had finished its matches the previous week and the 2nd Team were due to finish this week. The goalmouths would then be graded and seeded the following week.

He informed members the storage container was being delivered the following day.

He stated that damage had been done to the roof of the Club's shed. It was ascertained it was the property of the Parish Council and may contain asbestos. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Technical Services Department at HDC for advice and to arrange for repair.

Mr Jupp thanked the Groundsman for keeping the pitches in good condition.

Cricket

Mr Feest advised that the Club had played a few "friendlies" but was due to start the serious matches the next weekend. He informed members the nets and frames had been refurbished.

He stated that the Club had had to repair the roof of its shed as well. He had seen children running along the three shed roofs. It was agreed that all three roofs should be inspected and the Clerk was instructed to obtain a sign, warning people to keep off the roof.

The Chairman advised that three quotations for an awning had been received and would be discussed at the next Finance and Policy meeting.

The Chairman then thanked the representatives for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.50pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 28th May 2009

..... Chairman

..... Date