
PULBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Swan View, Lower Street

Pulborough

West Sussex RH20 2BF

Telephone: 01798 873532

Email: clerk@pulboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON THURSDAY 28th JANUARY 2010 AT THE SPORTS PAVILION

PRESENT: Cllrs Boulton (Chairman), Mrs Barnett (Vice-Chairman), Mrs Lawson Clarke, Jolliffe, Kipp, Parker .

REPRESENTATIVES: Mrs Henly (Bowling), Mr Feest (Cricket Club) and Mr Bushby (Groundsman).

IN ATTENDANCE: Sarah Norman (Clerk), Sally Cooper (Deputy Clerk)

The meeting opened at 7.35 pm

22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr Garland (Snooker). Mr Jupp (Football Club), Mrs Soal (Pythons) and Mr James (Pythons)

23. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th of November 2009 were received and signed. No matters arising.

The Chairman welcomed Mr Fred Bushby who has been appointed as the new Groundsman.

Clerks Report

Pavilion Keys – A key for the new double doors to the changing rooms in the Pavilion has been cut, and as requested, a copy has been passed to Neville James of the Pythons. The Clerk also had a key cut for the exterior door into the Committee Room at The Pavilion, but unfortunately this does not work and so a further copy will be made by The Deputy Clerk.

Groundsman – Peter Lee, introduced as the new Groundsman at the meeting of November 19th 2009 decided that he was not able to take the role on. Fred Bushby has now been appointed as the Groundsman.

24. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Cricket - Mr Feest gave his belated apologies for non attendance at the meeting of November 19th 2009. He confirmed that the issues raised at that meeting regarding the Lashings XI day had all been noted. He advised that the final confirmation of the match is due next week. A security firm and a traffic parking firm will be provided by The Cricket Club for the event. Training for this season is now underway, and he reported they now have over 100 colts.

Bowling - Mrs Henly reported that the Bowling Club have 52 matches booked for The Summer Season in addition to their own internal matches. The issue of the overhanging holly bush and Dutch Elm Tree was discussed. The Clerk has visited the site with Mrs Henly, and the matter is to be discussed at The Recreation & Open Spaces following the RECAD meeting. During the recent spate of snow children had been playing on the bowling green, and had dragged the roller over the green and tipped it into the gulley. This had caused some minor damage to the surface of the green. The Club is due to do some routine maintenance on the green when weather conditions allow.

Groundsman - Mr Bushby advised that as the ground is still very wet he cannot get the tractors out of the shed to undertake grounds maintenance. This problem is exacerbated by the problems with the drains. The Deputy Clerk advised that a meeting is arranged for January 29th for Cllrs. Jolliffe and Quedstedt to meet with the contractors regarding the issue of the drains. Litter is picked most days, and he reports that there is a lot of broken glass around the Bandstand area, but feels with regular attention he can keep on top of this. A request has been made for a petrol hedge cutter as the current one is electric and The Groundsman has to take the tractor out and run it from the battery.

Football Club – Mr Jupp had sent his apologies, and via letter has advised - Recently played first game since end of November, due to the weather, which was played at home, having not trained on grass for three months. The club have used the MSF for training as ground has been too wet. The first X1 are about half way in their division and the 2nd X1 are third from top of their division. The rain and snow has made the playing surface on the main pitch very flat, but there is no need to try and roll it yet.

The Chairman then thanked the representatives for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.44pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 25th February 2010

..... Chairman

..... Date
