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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES HELD ON THURSDAY 22nd April 2010
AT THE SPORTS PAVILION**

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

REPRESENTATIVES: Mr Feest (Cricket Club) Mr Bushby (Groundsman) Mrs Henley (Bowling), Mr Wood (Allotments)

IN ATTENDANCE: Sally Cooper (Deputy Clerk)

The meeting opened at 7.35 pm

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Kipp, Anita Soal (Pythons) and Mr Garland (Snooker)

32. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th of March 2010 were received and signed. No matters arising.

Clerks Report

Dog Fouling on Recreation Ground – Karen Grisley (Street Scene Warden) has responded and advised that they can and do make early morning inspection at The Recreation ground, covering the mornings from 7am – 10am – in line with their shift patterns.

Logs at Pocket Park/Recreation – Harwoods contractors have still not removed the logs from Pocket Park. Deputy Clerk to chase once again.

33. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Cricket – Little to report. The first match is on the 1st of May. The Colts have their first home game this Saturday. Mr Feest asked if the pitch is to have weed/feed this year. Deputy Clerk advised this is on main Committee agenda tonight. Cllr Boulton reminded the Cricket Club that the Sports & Social Club will

be holding their annual Fun Day on August 31st, and Cricket Pitch will not be available on that date.

Groundsman - Very busy at the moment. Catching up on works that had been delayed by bad weather. The padlock to the Cousins Way Gates had been filled with Glue, and had to be cut off, and replaced. The boundary fence between The rec and Chestnut Walk is still being damaged by people using this as a cut through. Mr Bushby has put large machinery in front of the gap to deter this, but people have still got through. The football goal posts have been moved by children on the recreation ground. They are sitting on the bank, and leaving lots of rubbish behind. The groundsman has spoken to The football Club about this. The groundsman asked if two of the goals could be removed, as currently four out on field, perhaps moved up to Cousins Way. The Committee felt this was a good idea, although would have to be satisfied that the goal posts were not vulnerable to vandalism /removal in this location.

Bowling - The season starts this weekend. First away game is on May 2nd. The green is in good order. Mrs Henley advised that bags of dog poo were being thrown over the hedge onto the bowling green area.

Allotments - Mr Wood advised that the allotments have recently started to become active again. He has advised allotment holders that he is now attending these meetings. There are quite a lot of people working regularly up at the allotments now that the weather has improved.

The Chairman then thanked the representatives for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.55pm.

Date of Next Meeting: 27th of May 2010

..... Chairman

..... Date