



**MINUTES OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 11.00 AM AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**PRESENT:** - Cllr Frazer-Cann, Cllr Gerrard, Cllr Hodgkins, Cllr Blackwell and Cllr Smith

**IN ATTENDANCE:** - Trevor Geens.

1. Apologies: None
2. Declaration of Interests:
  1. Register of Interests: Councillors' were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
  2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) – None
  3. Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) –None

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Minutes: The minutes of 31.07.15 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Action</b>                                                                                       |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. The subject of football ball stop fencing was discussed where it was established that the cricket ball stop fencing had been vandalised as a result of youths trying to retrieve their footballs from the adjacent farmers field. Cllr Hodgkins agreed to liaise with the contractor who installed the cricket ball stop fencing in respect of the repairs(which included missing staples).<br/>           The Committee brainstormed and agreed that regardless of the proposed football stop netting, it was inevitable that balls would be kicked into the adjacent field at any time and at any location along the length of the fence. To prevent further damage to the fences/hedge and to facilitate the safe retrieval of footballs it is proposed that two stiles/gates are installed in the new fence. Subject to the farmer's approval, two corresponding gaps would be properly created in his fence. This would facilitate safe retrieval of balls from the field via new fence/hedge crossings and the existing public footpath. This suggestion will be presented at the September Parish Council meeting.<br/>           The Committee also agreed to pursue any funding available from MHDC which could help fund football stop fencing or help towards the cost of a multi-use style piece of Sports equipment/junior football post and net.<br/>           Cllr Frazer-Cann to cascade this information to Kempsey Sports Association.</li> </ol> | <p>TC<br/>Pursue quote for stiles.</p> <p>(TC/BH<br/>To liaise with Farmer)</p> <p>TC</p> <p>TC</p> |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. A recommendation is to be presented to Parish Council that the Recreation Committee supports the letter from Mr. Scurrell concerning the proposed trimming of the tree located on the playing which overhands his garden in Elgar Drive.(Subject that this will not imbalance it). To be presented at the September Parish Council meeting.</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | TC                                                                                                  |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Following the weekly/monthly inspections of play equipment and cricket ball stop fencing Cllr Hodgkins reported :-           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Grass is growing through the matting to the play area. Cllr Gerrard believed this was the purposed of the design.</li> <li>b. Weeds are growing through the surface by the swings in the small children's play area.</li> <li>c. The entrance gates are not self-closing.</li> <li>d. The skirts to 2x Rocking Horses were degrading and need to be monitored with a view to replacement in the future.</li> <li>e. 1 x lose bolt on the Rocking Horse. (Cllr Geens offered to repair)</li> </ol> </li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | TG                                                                                                  |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. No further communication received to date in respect of the broken polycarbonate defibrillator panel that was sent back to the manufacturer for investigation.<br/>           The defibrillator is in commission and working and a plaque has been installed.</li> </ol>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                     |

(Cllr Blackwell departed at 12.34pm giving his apologies)

8. Any Other Business

Cllr Smith asked for consideration to be given for a basket/football goal with net.

It materialised Mrs Clee had a spare football goal post and in the first instance she should be approached.. Then, a suitable location could be identified to place them. Once these facts were established a proposal could be presented to Parish Council.

Cllr Hodgkins mentioned the Local Topic Note on Village Greens which contained some interesting information.

He also referred to an email communication concerning Severn Trent who need to change the water meter in Napleton Lane to one that they can read remotely. This has been arranged for Monday 21st.September 2015. It shouldn't affect the users as the water will only be turned off for about an hour between 8am and 6pm.

AS  
To liaise  
With Mrs  
Clee

Meeting Closed at 12.48pm

Sharon Baxter

Clerk

Signed ..... Chairman..... Date

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Cllr Smith read out some communication on behalf of

**Helen Wilcox - 51 The Limes**

Mrs Wilcox requested that we provide a junior goal post with a net or provided a multi-use style piece of play equipment (An extract from Wicksteed indicating a mini football goal and basketball hoop was circulated to members).

Mr Geens commented on the excellent work carried out by Cllr Frazer-Cann and the Lengthsman In hedge cutting and clearing overgrown vegetation from around the Youth Centre.