

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Burton-in-Lonsdale Parish Council**  
**Recreation Field Committee**  
**7.30pm Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
**Sports Pavilion, Bentham Moor Rd, Burton in Lonsdale**

**Present:** Messrs. Mike Illsley, Ian Parker, Councillors: Ian Wardle, Billie Hornyold-Strickland,

**In attendance:**

The Clerk was in attendance

**188/2022** **Apologies**

No apologies were received

**189/2022** **Code of Conduct and Declaration of Interests**

a) To note declarations of interest not already declared under member's code of conduct or members register of disclosable pecuniary interest or a matter in which the member has another interest.

b) to approve dispensation request if dispensation request is received

**No interests were declared.**

**190/2022** **Public Statements and Questions**

None

**191/2022** **Minutes (to note only)**

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**The Minutes had previously been approved and were noted**

**192/2022** **Reports**

- Bookings and Payments were reviewed. Total income from bookings for the year to date is £2946, with £2696 coming from Pavilion bookings and £250 from Recreation Field bookings. Summary at Appendix 1
- Development of the website pages is being investigated which could facilitate an online booking system. Councillor Taylor is working with the Burton Communication Group.

**193/2022** **Review of use of field**

- Ian Parker has contacted various groups but as yet without success

**194/2022** 1. **Maintenance & Projects** timetables / approvals in principle / funding

- To review all maintenance items required to be carried out (on a 6 monthly and annual basis) around the Rec Field / Play Park/ MUGA etc. Matters discussed:-
- Storage of items in the changing rooms which potentially belong to the football club – the Clerk to contact the football club manager
- Sign at the cycle track – to be checked for suitable wording
- Upgrade to the signage at the MUGA to highlight that it is closed – Mike Illsley to organise
- Replacement picnic table – has been approved by the Parish Council and the Clerk will organise order
- The PC received a request for coat hooks at the Pavilion. It was pointed out that there are coat hooks in the disabled toilet so no further action to be taken.

- Report on recent play equipment inspection - Mike Illsley has obtained a quote for repairs including replacing bearings on various equipment. It was felt the quote was high and Mike agreed to seek other quotes for comparison.

**2. Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)**

To receive an update on fundraising activities to enable the MUGA to be refurbished including the roles of Burton Community Sports and the Parish Council:-

- The MUGA was previously leased to BCS by Burton in Lonsdale Parish Council which provided £2,000 towards the cost of effective drainage works vital for protecting the pitch from groundwater flooding. This drainage work has successfully addressed the problem. There is considerable goodwill in the community to carry out maintenance on a voluntary basis if the MUGA could be brought back into use. Preliminary quotations obtained for provision of a new surface indicate the sum of £35,000 is required. A group has been set up to seek grant aid to help fund a replacement playing surface and good progress has been made. BCS has a current balance of £6,000 accrued from past years of membership fees and purchase of lighting tokens. It now seeks to raise c£29,000 to bring this community asset back into use. Approaches and applications to funding bodies are now actively being researched.
- The best use of BCS existing funds was discussed – and it was agreed that the remaining funds held by BCS should be transferred to the Parish Council bank account. This will serve as a starter fund for refurbishment work at the MUGA and will attract bank interest.

**3. To receive an update on the issue of aging equipment and the cost of replacement and repair including football goal nets, basketball/ netball nets and boards and the cycle track at the east end of the rec field, and receive estimates of the sums involved.**

- It was agreed that items in the MUGA should be left until funds are available for full refurbishment of the area.
- Funds are not available for refurbishing the cycle track to a high standard.

**195/2022 Date, time and venue next committee and Council meeting(s)**

- 7.30pm, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024: Full Council Meeting
- Date of the next Recreation Committee Meeting: 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024, 7.30 at the Pavilion

The Meeting ended at 21:10

**Signed** .....

**Dated** .....

**Appendix 1**

To date	2023/24	2022/23	
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>			
	Pavilion		
Bridge Club	1,536.00		
Pavilion other	1,160.00		
Pavilion total	2,696.00	1,832.00	
Utilities income	613.40	164.78	
Terriers	250.00	486.00	
Other field		110.00	
Total	3,559.40	2,592.78	
<b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>			
Utilities	552.99	876.32	
Pavilion Maintenance	656.27	591.98	
Equipment Inspection, maintenance	380.00	433.35	
Rec Field maintenance	415.53	4,266.50	22/23 includes
Grass Cuts: Football pitch, and surround	3,155.00	2,537.50	groundworks and posts
Grass Cuts: play area, verge	213.75		
Total	5,373.54	8,705.65	