

Minutes of Meeting
Burton-in-Lonsdale Parish Council
Recreation Field Committee
7.30pm Thursday 25th May 2023
Sports Pavilion, Bentham Moor Rd, Burton in Lonsdale

Present: Messrs. Ian Parker (Chair), Councillors: Ian Wardle, Billie Hornyold-Strickland, Alan Coulthurst

In attendance: Councillors Alan Coulthurst, David Taylor, Peter Thompson (Stand in Clerk)

59/2022 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Mike Illsley

60/2022 **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.

61/2022 **Public Statements and Questions**

None

62/2022 **Minutes (to note only)**

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The Minutes had previously been approved and were noted

63/2022 **Reports**

- Meter readings were reviewed. Ian Parker stated that he is pursuing app-based controls for the pavilion heating now that B4RN has been installed. The water consumption has dropped since a leak had been repaired. Ian Parker will seek to recoup any electricity costs recovered via MUGA floodlight charges.
- Bookings and Payments were reviewed. Receipts were well below costs. See minute 64 below

64/2022 **Review of use of field**

The manager of Lonsdale Terriers has not yet confirmed whether the team will return in autumn following the proposal forwarded by the Parish Clerk.

The committee identified parameters for using the field and pavilion facilities:

- No activities on the pitches or in the woods involving animals.
- Activities to be completed by 11.00pm unless by prior written agreement of the PC
- No camping or caravanning on site.
- If users are selling alcohol, they must provide proof of a licence to sell alcohol in advance of the event.

Terms and Conditions

Cllr Wardle requested details of the Terms and Conditions currently being provided to users of the facilities;

Resolved: To ask the Parish Clerk to share current document.

Booking systems

Various booking systems were discussed with a preference for an on-line calendar similar to that used by Barbon Village Hall. Ian Parker to explore cost.

Cllr Taylor agreed to investigate the Wix booking platform prior to the next full PC meeting.

Resolved: To include an item on the next full PC agenda to review potential booking systems.

Packages to schools and societies

It was agreed that better quality of publicity material is required.

Cllr Spedding agreed to ask Andy Ward to take some photographs to be used in publicity material.

Cllr Wardle agreed to approach organisations that may be seeking a location for summer school activities.

Ian Parker agreed to contact local gyms regarding the use of the fields and equipment for outdoor gym sessions.

Ian Parker to investigate setting up a walking football team.

Cllr Coulthurst to investigate the creation of a running circuit in and around the playing fields.

Cllr Thompson to make contact with the archery club.

65/2022 Maintenance and Projects

Most recent inspection reviewed

Rec field & Car Park

The condition of one of the picnic tables is deteriorating. It was **Resolved** not to consider replacement at this time but to continue to review condition.

Remedial work to the BMX bike track will be carried out by the Community Workforce in July.

The existing metal framed chairs on the veranda are to be disposed of and replaced with the 4 green plastic chairs which are stored in the disabled toilet.

Pavilion

Storage area – Lonsdale Terriers are no longer interested in contributing to a storage area. They have removed their equipment from the changing room. Cllr Wardle and Ian Parker undertook to review what needs to go into a new store. Ian Parker will work with Mike Illsley to review previous quotes for stores to establish a new budget to put to the Parish Council.

Planning application – Cllr Strickland advised that she had spoken to a planning officer who advised that planning permission can be granted for a temporary structure on a temporary basis.

Resolved that the PC will not pursue this option until storage needs have been reviewed.

Render – Cllr Thompson agreed to ascertain the status of the construction contract with a view to requesting the contractor returns to address the delaminating area of render. The goal nets that are fixed to the side of the pavilion need to be removed. Ian Parker to ascertain who owns them.

Cllr Thompson relayed a request from the Bridge Club for a light with a timed sensor to be fitted outside of the pavilion entrance doors. Ian Parker agreed to action this.

The state of the tea urn was debated. It was agreed to take it out of use.

MUGA

The work to raise the fibres was deemed a success for the current period of dry weather, but the surface becomes quite slippery in wet weather and in a sustained wet period it is

likely that silt will come to the surface. It was agreed that the cost of £75 was reasonable and this process is a sensible solution until a new surface can be procured. Mike Illsley advised that the goals in the MUGA will require a weight test. It was agreed to defer this for the time being.

Woodland Trust area

Cllr Wardle met a representative of Woodland Trust on site the previous week. He advised that a dog walking area in the woods was not feasible as this was an area where deer rear their offspring.

Cllr Wardle will work with the Woodland Trust to develop educational material.

Cllr Wardle requested that the village consider a new name for the woods (currently Memorial Woods). Cllr Thompson to check documents to ensure there are no covenants that may affect naming.

66/2022 Date, time and venue next committee and Council meeting(s)

- 7.30pm, Thursday 15th June 2023: Full Council Meeting, Burton Village Hall
- Date of the next Recreation Committee Meeting: 12th October 2023, 7.30 at the Pavilion

The Meeting ended at 21:30

Signed

Dated