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The Pavilion
Girton Recreation Ground
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Minutes of the Sport and Recreation Meeting held on Wednesday 29th September 2010 at Orchard Close Community Centre

Present: : Cllrs M Wilson (Chair), V Godby, P Johnson, C Noble, and co-opted Members : CMR Wilson, G Clare, L Miller

One member of the public: Peter Kirwan (Girton Cricket Club) entered at item **10/101** and left at **10/102**

10/92 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr de Lacey

10/93 Declaration of interest for items on the agenda

None

10/94 Open session for members of public

No members of the public were present at this point

10/95 To confirm the minutes of the meetings of 25th August 2010

Cllr Wilson prop. Cllr Godby sec. unanimous

10/96 Matters arising:

Minute 10/87 The agenda notes that the planning document had been passed to Planning and Resources Committee. The Chairman apologized that in fact this had not yet been done)

Minute 10/91 Histon FC. The club had resumed interest in use of the 10 Acre Field for day time training sessions during the week. The Bookings Administrator provided a verbal report and noted a hire agreement form had been received from the club. She indicated the club's use should be set up on a three month trial basis and the Committee supported this suggestion.

10/97 Receive copy of correspondence and a report from the PC chairman regarding the condition and possible relaying of the Hall floor and to determine future action.

A written report from Cllr de Lacey had been circulated. The Committee noted that the matter needed to be resolved and the appropriate repairs carried out as soon as possible.

10/98 Confirm grass cutting lease as amended. Grass cutting and Hedge work to be quoted separately and to request Clerk to seek quotations.

The Chairman had reported the previous meeting's discussion to the Chair of the Environment Committee. A revised specification incorporating changes agreed at the previous meeting and requesting a separate quotation for hedging work had been previously circulated.

Cllr Wilson prop, Cllr Noble sec. unanimous

10/99 Receive a report on the views of the Planning and Resources Committee on status of the Wellbrook LEAP and other matters.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met during the previous week and had taken a robust line in supporting this Committee's view that the Parish Council should not accept the LEAP area due to the perimeter fence not meeting the required standard.

10/100 To establish a Footprint Working Group to report back with preliminary plans for managing the "footprint" of the Recreation Ground as outlined in the planning document.

Cllr Johnson volunteered to head a working group with a membership of CMR Wilson and L Miller. Further individuals may be co-opted as appropriate by the Group.
Cllr Wilson prop, Cllr Johnson sec, unanimous

10/101 To consider the request to locate an all weather wicket and nets beside the Tennis Courts (Paper from Girton Cricket Club already circulated)

Peter Kirwan was invited to comment at this point. The Club had obtained preliminary costs of around £7000 for the entire project: £2000-£3000 for new all weather surface and installation; £1875 for a double bay net and posts; £2000 to remove the current all weather strip and to restore grass. The Club was intending to seek funds for this and so requests the Parish Council to allocate space. The preferred site for the wicket and nets is between the tennis courts and Pavilion. The Footprint Working Group was asked to take up this suggestion as one of its first actions as the Committee needed to be assured that this was appropriate use of the space and would not lead to future problems. A decision on the request would be deferred pending a report from the Group.

10/102 Matters of interest to the Environment Committee (see Grass cutting)

The amendment to the grass cutting contract has been reported to the Chair of the Environment Committee.

10/103 Receive financial reports

The Committee were disappointed at the absence of Financial Reports

10/104 To note expenditure on Xmas lights approved at Sept PC meeting. The Chairman noted that under payments the Parish Council had authorized a small amount for Xmas lights on the Pavilion. He reported that in preparing the 2009/10 budget an amount was set aside from the Pavilion Fabric allocated reserve to cover any expense (primarily for the installation of an external electrical connection).

10/105 To approve expenditure of £261.50 + VAT £45.77 (total £307.27) for the purchase of 4 Portable Steel Goal post wheels for senior goals

Cllr Wilson prop, Cllr Godby sec, unanimous

10/106 Reports of any accidents or incidents

CMR Wilson reported that an ambulance had been recently called to attend a member of Cambridge Rangers FC who had dislocated her knee cap. This incident had not been recorded in the Pavilion accident book. She will write and remind all users / clubs that any accidents or incidents should be entered and noted in the accident book.

10/107 Correspondence (to be tabled)

1. Reply to Cricket club regarding fee structure: Cllr Wilson is to reply to the Cricket Club Treasurer regarding his request for a reduction for weather cancellations.

2. Correspondence with Parishioner concerning dog route/recreation ground. Cllr Wilson had replied. This was noted by the Committee.

3. Email correspondence from Chairman of Colts concerning replacement of MUGA. Cllr Wilson to reply outlining the plan and timescale for a replacement surface as the Committee had agreed.

4. Email from Cllr de Lacey (querying whether support for a Council sponsored bonfire “event” on 5th November 2010 on St. John’s Field

There was little enthusiasm for a public event given the short notice, lack of budget and the need to steward any such event. Cllr Wilson to report back and request confirmation that the College had been briefed on the bonfire and that they had no objection.