

Whatton and Aslockton Playing Field Trust

The Pavilion, Dark Lane, Whatton-in-the-Vale, Nottinghamshire NGI3 9FE Registered Charity – Number 1135385

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MINUTES OF the Meeting of the Whatton and Aslockton Playing Field Committee at the Pavilion, The Playing Field, Dark Lane, Whatton-in-the-Vale on Tuesday 1st September 2015 at 7:30 pm.

1. Members Present and Apologies

a. Present: T Daws, R Crawford, Cllr. C Grocock, Cllr. C Haslam, RA Lambourne, G. Nerney, Cllr. G Redford (Chair).

The Chairman welcomed Cllrs. Chris Grocock and Chris Haslam appointed to the Committee by Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Council and Aslockton Parish Council respectively.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

R Crawford pointed out that the number of league games played by the Greyhounders FC (and the Cranmer Arms FC) was 9 not 16 as quoted, he felt the total number of games would be around 15 including cup games, depending on the Cup match results.

3. Confirmation of Aslockton Parish Council Committee appointee.

The Chairman informed the meeting that Aslockton Parish Council had appointed Cllr. Chris Haslam to the Committee the appointment of the second appointee was still pending.

4. Ground

a. Booking Form and Terms and Conditions of Use

The Meeting Considered the Booking Form and Conditions of Use ('Terms') tabled at the meeting.

It was resolved that the Terms be adopted and the Booking Form etc. be sent to the user clubs for completion. It was further resolved that the base number of matches for the Greyhounders and the Cranmer Arms Football Club would be set at 9 in the absence of any definitive information from the clubs. It was agreed that Cup Matches would be notified to the Trust after the event and invoiced accordingly and the Terms should be amended to reflect that point. Additionally it was resolved that the names of Ground Managers should be included in the documentation.

b. Revised Charges for Ground Use for 2016/2017.

The meeting discussed the basis of charging for the 2016/2017 season. The Chairman explained that Income and Expenditure balance was marginal and it would be unreasonable to seek substantial additional funding from the Parish Councils as they already contribute £900 per annum each to the running costs of the Playing Field. R Crawford made the point that the Greyhounders FC did not charge younger players and thus the income for the football club limited their ability to sustain higher charges, RA Lambourne echoed this view. Cllrs. Grocock

and Haslam both expressed the view that it was important that the sports clubs continue to play at the playing field and provide opportunities for residents to enjoy playing (or watching) both football and cricket.

Whilst a decision was deferred to the next meeting, the general view of the meeting was that the charge should not increase appreciably from its current levels.

5. Pavilion project

The Chairman informed the meeting that due to a family bereavement he had been unable to progress the project during August, but the project was now almost ready for the Stage 2 Consultation process. The meeting discussed the potential cost of the project and whilst the initial view was to target a maximum cost of £150,000, RA Lambourne felt that this figure was unstainable and a budget figure of a minimum of £270,000 would be more realistic. RA Lambourne undertook to provide a 'ball-park' budget figure. Cllr. Grocock expressed the view that funding bids would need to be more robust. The meeting also discussed the timing of the presentation of the project to residents, but no firm date was established.

Further discussion was deferred to the next meeting.

6. Finance

a. Bank Mandate

The meeting confirmed the additional signatories (Thomas Daws and Gerry Nerney) agreed at the last meeting and it was resolved that:

'The authorized signatories in the current mandate, for the accounts detailed in section 2, be changed in accordance with sections 5 and 6 and the current mandate will continue as amended.

The two new signatories undertook to complete the necessary forms.

b. Management Accounts

The meeting discussed the Management Accounts which had been tabled at the meeting. No questions were raised.

7. Any Other business

T Daws asked whether the offer from Tim Moxey to help with the Pavilion project had been pursued. The Chairman informed the meeting that he had replied (by e-mail) to Mr. Moxey, but as yet had not had a reply. The Committee confirmed that it was content to ask Mr. Moxey to join the Committee and the Pavilion Project Team.

8. Date of next meeting

At the Pavilion on the 29th September 2015 – 7:30 pm