

Minutes of a meeting of the Trustees of Whatton and Aslockton Playing Field Trust held on Monday 3rd December at the Thomas Cranmer Centre at 7pm

Trustees present at the meeting:

WPC: Gregg Redford

APC: Julie Brown, Mansfield Barker

Also present from APC Kath Auckland (standing in for Clerk to take the minutes) and the Chair Paul Brown and Treasurer Sally Ashmore from the WAPFC

1.Appointment of the Meeting Chairman

Mansfield Barker took the chair as Aslockton's trustee representative, it being APC's turn to take the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest - None

3. Apologies for Absence: Chris Grocock (WPC) Ray Evans (WPC) Chris Haslam (APC)

4. Approval of minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 24th September were approved and signed off by the chairman.

5. All matters

Insurance

The Chair raised the question of public liability insurance for the playing field. Gregg Redford reported that the field is covered under Whatton Parish Council's insurance as it is co-owned by them and is physically within their parish - and stressed the importance of the annual ROSPA inspections on the play equipment (and dealing with any issues raised). The pavilion although owned by the Trust is insured separately in the name of the Cricket Club (with WAPFC paying part of the cost) but this does not cover public liability insurance within the pavilion. As the sports clubs using the pavilion will have their own insurance cover, it was agreed that no immediate action was required although Paul Brown will review the situation in more detail.

Funding

Paul Brown gave a brief update date on funding -

S106 in the region of £35,000 has been approved and is just awaiting Andrew Pegram's signature for the monies to be sent.

LIS for £25,000 application in and approved.

Co-op fund of about £3000 had been received in part, awaiting balance.

Chris Grocock will be applying next for £50,000 each with Sports England Community Asset Fund, and Wren.

Pavilion

Paul Brown reported that the committee had not discussed the replacement pavilion recently as the priority had been funding and finance. The amount of funding achieved will then be instrumental in determining what options are affordable.

Mansfield Barker replied that once funding was agreed and what options were available then these should be submitted to the Trustees for consideration.

Budget

A budget prepared by the Treasurer of the WAPFC was presented to the trustees (see appendix at end of document). It was noted the loss of revenue, due to the loss of the two adult football teams the Cranmer Arms FC and the Greyhounds, resulting in a deficit this year. The Parish Councils have been approached recently by the WAPFC to raise their precepts by £1 per household for maintaining the play equipment - (both councils deferred their decision.)

After reviewing the budget. Gregg Redford proposed that the trustees would support the WAPFC applying to both PC's for an increase contribution of £1400 next year towards the running costs of the playing field due to the shortfall of revenue, making it clear the increase is for one year only.

Gregg Redford suggested that the committee should possibly look at a wider use of the playing field as this would help justify the cost to the residents. It was suggested that local sports clubs (any sport) could be approached in view of possible hiring the field.

Change to the Constitution of WAPFC

Paul Brown had requested a change to the constitution as currently the committee had three members that were unable to vote.

Gregg Redford read out two proposed amendments, that would allow a Secretary, Treasurer and Groundsman being appointed as voting members (rather than co-opted) and being voluntary not employed.

Proposed by Gregg Redford, seconded by Julie Brown, all agreed

Treasurer Report

Sally Ashmore confirmed that there will still be two signaturees once on line banking is set up and also clarified some points with Gregg Redford re: the annual return to be submitted to the Charity Commission.

Date of next meeting Monday April 15th 2019

Meeting Closed 8.05m

Appendix

WHATTON & ASLOCKTON PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE Budget for general running costs

		Year end 31/03/2019	Year end 31/03/2020
Income			
	Parish Councils	1800	1800
	Playing field rent	818	818
	Grants	250	
		2868	2618
Expenses			
General	Grass cutting	1353	1300
	Strimming	360	360
	Hedge cutting	110	110
	Council rates	291	300
	Water rates	150	150
	Inspection	84	85
	Domain	91	91
	Insurance	350	350
		2789	2746
Exceptional	Water heater	250	
	Fence post	480	
	General repairs	50	50
	Repairs to fencing		1000
		780	1050
Deficit		-701	-1178
Opening bank		1486	865
Deficit		-701	-1178
Closing bank		785	-313