Management Committee of the King George V Playing Field, Hunton Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11 February 2009 at 8 pm At the Hunton Village Hall, West Street

Charity number 1084141

Present:- Chairman: Mr Keith Eatwell Hunton Parish Council

Mr Alan Bishop Hunton Village Hall
Mr Simon Taylor Hunton Cricket Club

Mr David Swan Co-opted Committee Member

Secretary: Mrs Margaret Carpenter Hunton Bowls Club

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

2. Apologies

These had been received from John Adams, John Bates, Roger Sawtell, and Michael Nichols

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

These were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting of 10 December 2008. Copies had been distributed to all Trustees, Parish Councillors and local press representatives and were as usual available on request.

4. Matters Arising

The following, which took in several later items on the agenda, were discussed:-

Grass and hedge trimming (and tree management)

Site meeting with Chris Acaster still to be arranged. MC would inform AB and KE when a date is confirmed.

Boundaries

The Committee understands that Savages have agreed to re-dig the ditch line after which it is hoped to replant some of the hedge.

Water meters

After discussion it was agreed that before proceeding any further with the installation of water meters efforts would be made to establish the siting of an existing water meter. KE would contact Ron Hickman for information. It was also agreed readings should be taken from this meter and monitored over the current year before further action is taken. The Football Club would monitor the readings from this meter for the winter period. The Bowls and Cricket Clubs would be asked to take readings during the summer season.

Facilities for children and young people

The necessary remedial work to the play area had been completed and the recent Risk Assessment had only highlighted the need to clear moss from the surface under the play equipment. Steps were being taken to deal with this.

Footpath from Bensted Close to the Hall

The PCC working party had met at the site of the proposed footpath. The resulting discussion would appear to indicate the feasibility of establishing a footpath to run inside the existing hedge boundary. The ownership of the land had been confirmed and approaches were being made to the existing land owners Kent Wildlife Trust had advised on the layering of the present hedge in order to reduce the height.

Play and Sport Facilities

In view of the progress being made on the proposed footpath it was decided to reopen investigations in to the replacement of the play equipment and the sports facilities. KE would obtain quotes from M & M based on our earlier proposals.

Village Fete

Despite the fact that the Village Hall will not be available on the proposed date of the Fete due to a prior booking, it was decided to proceed. The Fete will take place on 27 June as already agreed.

Health & Safety

PAT testing still outstanding.

Finance

The Parish Clerk is continuing to investigate the issue of the filing of accounts for King George's Field Charity, Hunton.

The Heraldic Plaques were now in place. DS understood that the NAPF would be prepared to pay for the work of erecting the Plaques and MC would investigate this further.

The new litter bins had been put in place. MC would check on the frequency of emptying these.

MC reported that the renewal for the Trustee Indemnity Assurance had been received. The PCC would issue a cheque for the premium.

Other Matters

KE reported that moles were once again causing a problem on the football field.

The state of the gate and fence to the right hand side of the car park were in a bad state of repair. KE would obtain a quote for the repair/reinstatement of this fence.

KE also reported that the boiler in the Football Changing Room had suffered damage as a result of the recent very cold weather. Quotes would be obtained for the repair/replacement of the boiler.

Date of Next Meetings - all at Hunton Club at 8 pm

Wednesday 15 April 2009

Please note change to the date of AGM - now

Wednesday 3 June - plus AGM at Hunton Village Hall - time to be arranged

There being no further matters the formal part of the meeting ended at 9.00pm.