

Management Committee of the King George V Playing Field, Hunton
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th September 2016 at 8:15pm
At Hunton Village Club, West Street, Hunton
Charity number 1084141

Present:	Mr Simon Taylor	Hunton Cricket Club
	Mrs Margaret Carpenter	Hunton Bowls Club
	Mrs Angela Baptie	Hunton Bowls Club
	Mr John Bates	Hunton Football Club
	Mr Roger Sawtell	
Secretary:	Mrs Sharon Goodwin	
Apologies:	Mr David Heaton	Hunton Parish Council
	Mr Tony Stanbridge	Hunton Parish Council
	Mr Steve Jones	Hunton Cricket Club
In attendance:	Mrs Kathy Reid	Hunton Village Hall Committee

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting on 12th July 2016. Copies had been distributed to all Trustees, Parish Councillors and local press representatives and were as usual available on request.

3. Matters arising

- No issues with the moles as the ground is very hard.
- SG contacted Des Hickmott to deal with the rabbits, but he is unable to do so for the foreseeable future due to ill health. It was agreed that nothing should be done to seek an alternative for now and a decision will be made early next year, depending on Des' health.
- Robert Cox has done a very good job in tidying the boundary of the field near the cricket pavilion and has also cut back the very low hanging trees near the cricket pitch.
- ST reported that the system for apportioning the electricity costs between the Cricket and Bowls Clubs is working well.

4. Health & safety

- Two MBC monthly reports have been received on the children's play area since the last meeting. These note the same low risk items of the grass growing around the support posts on the multiplay equipment and the picnic table not being fixed to the ground, plus a 'further comment' about the paint on the multiplay timber. SG has informed the inspector that Robert Cox has strimmed the area, so there should be no long grass, and the table is fixed to the ground using a soft anchor kit.
- Craigdene Limited has completed the annual play area inspection report. All points raised are low risk/to monitor; there is nothing which urgently needs attention. It was

agreed that replacement of the multiplay surface should be considered and the multiplay equipment is also getting old. MC has looked through numerous brochures and obtained prices for swings and a goal/basketball hoop, but if new multiplay equipment is required grant funding will be needed as the multiplay is very expensive. ST and SG agreed to consider funding sources available, such as MBC, KCC, Paulina Stockell's Member Fund, Tesco Bags of Help Scheme, etc.

- SG is waiting for a quote from St John's Ambulance to train people in the use of the defibrillator. It may be possible to combine the training with Yalding Parish Council and perhaps reduce the cost as there is no restriction on the size of the group.
- The Tree & Pond Warden, Mike Summersgill, is reporting on his review of the tree stock on community land, including the playing field, at the next Parish Council meeting. It is likely that a tree expert will need to be employed to assess the safety and condition of some of the trees.

5. Finance

- The Income & Expenditure report to 31st August 2016 was produced to the Committee and noted. After payments are made at the Parish Council meeting on 20th September there will be £6,215 in funds remaining.
- ST agreed to progress the replacement of the pedestrian gate over the winter.
- Robert Cox is to cut back the beech hedge near the Bowls Club at the end of September at a cost of £125.
- DH had asked that consideration be given to erecting a fence on the northern boundary of the recreation field, but the Committee decided not to go ahead.
- It was agreed that Robert Cox should be asked to cut back the hedge near the entrance to the car park and tidy the car park/play area three times a year – in April, before the fete in June and in August, rather than requesting work on an ad hoc basis. The boundary near the cricket pavilion will also be tidied at the same time.
- It was agreed that the bins should be emptied every week in June, July and August. SG will contact MBC. SG will also obtain quotes from other companies to carry out the bin emptying.

6. Administration

- ST and all members of the Committee gave a vote of thanks to DP for his hard work as Chairman over the years.
- New Committee member Angela Baptie signed the Trustees Declaration prior to the meeting as she was unable to attend the AGM in July.
- SG provided information on Unity Trust Bank (UTB) as the Committee is considering setting up a bank account separate from Hunton Parish Council. UTB requires £500 for an account to be opened; bank charges are £6 a month; and a form must be completed with authorised signatories and key contact. It was agreed that the account should be set up as there is nothing in the governing document to stop a bank account being set up. SG will bring the account opening form to the next meeting for completion and check whether trustees insurance is in place.

7. Other parish news

None.

8. Any other matters

- Kathy Reid, from the Village Hall Committee, was in attendance at the meeting. It was agreed that a better system needs to be in place when the hall is let at weekends as parking can become an issue when there are sports matches taking place at the same time. Kathy advised that, at a recent Village Hall Committee meeting, it had been agreed that the number of weekend bookings would be limited to 15 a year. All bookings are on the village hall calendar. ST agreed that he could devise a set of rules to give to hirers which he would provide to Kathy and Kathy will revise the terms and conditions. For weddings, Kathy will obtain details of when and where the hirers are getting married.
- The village hall has been booked on 29th October for a charity event. The hirer has asked that a marquee be set up on the field. Kathy advised the hirer that permission needs to be obtained from this Committee before the marquee can be set up, but the hirer has not been in contact yet. It was agreed that details of the event will need to be obtained, including the size of the marquee and number of people likely to be attending, before permission is provided.
- The Cricket Club is allowing Loose & Leeds Cricket Club to use the Hunton cricket ground this week as they do not currently have a ground; they may use it next year too. They will cover the cost of pitch preparation.
- The final building regulations for the cricket pavilion have now been signed off.

Date of Next Meeting:

Hunton Village Club - Wednesday 9th November 2016

There being no further matters the formal part of the meeting ended at 10:02pm.