# Management Committee of the King George V Playing Field, Hunton Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 8:15pm At Hunton Village Club, West Street, Hunton

Charity number 1084141

Present: Mr Simon Taylor Hunton Cricket Club

Mr Danny Peacock
Mrs Margaret Carpenter
Mrs Angela Baptie
Mr David Heaton
Mr Tony Stanbridge
Hunton Football Club
Hunton Bowls Club
Hunton Parish Council
Hunton Parish Council

Secretary: Mrs Sharon Goodwin

Apologies: Mr John Bates Hunton Football Club

Mr Steve Jones Hunton Cricket Club

Mr Roger Sawtell

## 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  $9^{th}$  November 2016. Copies had been distributed to all Trustees, Parish Councillors and local press representatives and were as usual available on request.

## 3. Matters arising

- Moles are still present on the field. DH will obtain Peter King's contact details to assist in controlling the moles and rabbits.
- Some members of the Bowls Club had asked for the beech hedge to be cut back further, but it was agreed that it had been cut down sufficiently in height and in width from the playing field side. The Bowls Club can cut it back further on their side if required.
- ST will be researching energy suppliers to compare prices to the current supplier.

## 4. Health & safety

- Two MBC monthly reports have been received on the children's play area since the last meeting. The board is loose on the multiplay platform and the top of the steps is very loose. Reference is also made to the picnic table not being fixed to the ground and there is a 'further comment' about the paint on the multiplay timber. ST will look at the loose board and steps on the multiplay equipment.
- MC has found that Playspaces at Laddingford sell a 'Kingswood Double Tower' at a cost of £4,942 plus VAT, delivery and installation. This is much less than the cost of multiplay equipment seen in the Playdale brochure. A team swing from Playspaces costs £1,300. MC will visit Playspaces to discuss the equipment and resurfacing of the multiplay area. MC will also arrange a visit from Playspaces to provide a quotation.
- SG found that the KCC Small Capital Grant Scheme is not applicable for new play equipment. ST will look further into funding from KCPFA and SG will explore funding from Fields in Trust. Consideration will also be given to the Tesco Bags for Help

scheme.

• The Parish Council has received the Visual Tree Assessment report which identifies 8 trees requiring attention. Requests for quotations have been sent to four contractors to fix the tree defects - 3 trees are on the field, the other 5 are near the Village Hall.

#### 5. Finance

- The Income & Expenditure report to  $31^{st}$  December 2016 was produced to the Committee and noted. After payments are made at the Parish Council meeting on  $16^{th}$  January there will be £4,622 in funds remaining.
- ST will ask Tate Fencing to quote for the cost of installing a pedestrian gate (the gate costs £110).
- A quotation was obtained from RIP Cleaning Services for bin emptying. Their cost to emptying the bins for a calendar year is £546, compared to the current MBC cost of £1,947. It was agreed that RIP Cleaning Services should be appointed as the new bin emptying contractor.
- Landscape Services has sent a quote of £814.29 for 16 cuts of the field in 2017. It was agreed that the number of cuts should be increased to 20, with a maximum of 1-2 cuts before the cricket season, one after and the rest during the season.
- DP has spoken to the Football Club about clearing their bottles away after home matches to prevent the bin from overflowing, but they said they already did so.
- The Playing Field Committee will request a contribution of £6,000 from the Parish Council for 2017/18, an increase of £200 on the current amount received.

## 6. Administration

 The Unity Trust Bank account opening form has been submitted, but the account is not in action yet.

# 7. Other parish news

- DH reported that the Wilsons Yard development has been refused by MBC.
- Some pollution has been found in the stream near The Chances and the playing field.

## 8. Any other matters

- ST has looked at the Village Hall hire terms and conditions and made suggestions for changes, for example, charging to park on the field and clauses regarding use of the field. It will be submitted to Kathy Reid.
- Members of the Parish Council inspected the Football Club changing rooms on 14<sup>th</sup>
   November to consider their state of repair. The building is structurally sound. Some remedial work will be required eventually, but the Football Club needs to send a representative to the Playing Field Committee. DP agreed to speak to the Football Club.
- DH reported that the slats for the Community Orchard fencing are on hold for now.
- DP has not contacted Mike Summersgill about the tree overhanging the Bowls Club roof, but the tree was on the Visual Tree Assessment so it will be dealt with.

# Date of Next Meeting:

Hunton Village Club - Wednesday 15th March 2017

There being no further matters the formal part of the meeting ended at 9:45pm.