

Loughton & Great Holm Parish Council

Loughton Sports Ground Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Sunday 4th September 2016, 10:30am at the Loughton Sports & Social Club Pavilion, Linceslade Grove, Loughton, Milton Keynes

PRESENT: Cllrs Peter Todd (Chair), Sandra Boland (Vice-Chair), Thomas Gray

ALSO PRESENT: Brian Barton (Parish Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: Dave Clark (Secretary of the Loughton Sports and Social Club Management Committee), Tom McCreadie (Treasurer of the Loughton Sports and Social Club Management Committee), Pete Rockell (Chair of the Loughton Sports and Social Club Management Committee).

LG 01/16 Apologies:

There were no apologies received

NOTED

LG 02/16 Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on Sunday 11th November 2015, were **AGREED** and signed by the Chair as a true and correct record.

LG 03/16 Matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting not on the agenda:

LG 29/15 To discuss joint working arrangements with Jessica Katsinas Parish Youth Programme Development Officer and the Loughton Sports & Social Club and the use of the pavilion building for her activities with young people:

The Chair informed the meeting that the Parish Youth Programme Development Officer has now resigned from her post.

LG 42/15 To discuss maintenance issues regarding the pavilion, car park and sports ground:

(a) To update the Committee following on from the last meeting of the Parish Council that discussed the quotes for the repairs to the pavilion building's roof

The Chair further reported that the Parish Council has appointed a Surveyor Mr Richard Petty to oversee the repairs to the pavilion building's roof; he will draw up a specification, supervise the contractor, and submit a planning application to Milton Keynes Council.

(b) To update the Committee on the installation of the gate and fencing

Mr Rockell informed the meeting that D.W Bodley have not yet completed the work, and that he has chased them up to arrange a site meeting, but has not heard back from them and will contact them again.

NOTED

LG 43/15 To discuss any other outstanding matters relating to the pavilion and sports ground:

Mr Rockell said that Sports Ground Services have now slit the sports ground at a cost of £175.

NOTED

LG 04/16 Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations of interest.

NOTED

LG 05/16 To discuss maintenance issues regarding the pavilion, car park and sports ground:

(a) To update the Committee following on from the last meeting of the Parish Council that discussed the quotes for the repairs to the pavilion building's roof, and appointment of a Project Manager

This agenda item had been discussed under matters arising.

(b) To update the Committee on the installation of the gate and fencing

This agenda item had been discussed under matters arising.

(c) To update the Committee on the any remedial work needed to the boiler

Mr Rockell said that they are managing to manually heat the building; but he is waiting for the contractor to come back with some prices for the repairs need to be made to the boiler.

(d) To update the committee on the condition of the Loughton Pavilion Car Park

The Chair said that he had noticed some paving blocks missing around the drain, and was concerned that there could be complaints from residents and visitors using or walking through the car park especially if an accident occurred.

Mr Rockell said that he could get hold of some block paving and get the repairs done.

NOTED

LG 06/16 To discuss any other outstanding matters relating to the pavilion and sports ground:

The Chair said that he been informed by Milton Keynes Council that an area of land around the pavilion which had been transferred to the Parish Council was still being maintained, the Council have now taken the land off their maintenance schedule.

Consideration needs to be given as to keeping the land in good condition in the future.

The Parish Clerk was asked to contact Milton Keynes Council to confirm the maintenance costs for the area of land from their contactor SERCO, and to bring back to a future meeting.

Mr Rockell said that some of the grassed area of the sports ground has been damaged due to recent repair works to the footpath.

The sports ground is well maintained and there have been no issues brought up by the user groups.

There are problems with the amount of rubbish left on the sports ground when used by young people, there has recently been some damage such as smashed glass and incidents of anti social behavior.

The problem seems to occur after School hours during the week and when the social club closes at 11:00pm at weekends, Mr Rockell asked if the Parish Council could take the matter up with the local PCSO.

The Parish Clerk was asked to contact the PCSO and request a patrol of the area on a regular basis, during the periods of the day and weekends as indicated.

RESOLVED

- 1. That the Parish Clerk to contact Milton Keynes Council to confirm the maintenance costs for the area of land from their contactor SERCO, and to bring back to a future meeting.**
- 2. That The Parish Clerk was asked to contact the PCSO and request a patrol of the area after School hours during the week and when the social club closes at 11:00pm at weekends.**

LG 07/16 To discuss any financial matters relating to the ports ground, car park, and sports pavilion:

Mr Rockell indicated that there is a good amount of bookings for the sports ground during the summer months, a darts team also meets regularly in the pavilion building.

Quotes have been received in the past to reinstate a cricket pitch at a cost of £10,000 – £12,000 an area has been allocated on the sports ground.

Mr Rockell suggested meeting with Sports Ground Services for an up to date quote and to look back through the pervious quotes to get an idea of the variation of the costs involved.

Cllr Sandra Boland asked if the Management Committee would consider in future paying for the grass cutting of the sports ground, Mr Rockell said they could look into the finances to see what they can afford and report back at the next committee meeting.

Cllr Boland requested that the monthly rent is paid by standing order in future, the Parish Clerk was asked to send a standing order form to the Treasurer to arrange to set this up.

RESOLVED

That the Parish Clerk to send a standing order form to the Treasurer of the Management Committee to arrange to pay the monthly rent to the Parish Council.

LG 08/15 Date and time of the next meeting:

To be arranged

NOTED

THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 11:50PM

Signed _____ Chair Date _____