

**Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held on Monday 2 March 2015
at Council Offices at 6.00pm.**

Present: Cllrs S Daniels, D Wright, S Payne, K Green & C Davey

Also in Attendance: Parish Clerk, Louise Rice and Fiona Hinds

418 Apologies for absence

It was resolved to accept apologies from Cllr C Hipkin.

419 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

420 Minutes of the Recreation Committee Meeting of 2 February 2015

a) Cllr Wright proposed that the minutes be signed this was seconded by Cllr Payne. **It was resolved for the Chair to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.**

b) Matters arising,
Nothing to report.

421 Mrs L Rice – Intervillage Sports/Sports

Mrs Rice said that she had attended a meeting at Lynnsport regarding the details of the Sports for the following year and who was in charge of what. Mrs Rice advised that a Victoria King will co-ordinate our Summer Activities. Mrs Rice asked what kind of activities the Council would like. Cllr Daniels advised that Archery and Lazer Shooting went down well. Cllr Payne asked if the roadshow would be able to go ahead this year. Mrs Rice advised that this was usually organised by Active Norfolk but they have had all their funding cut. Cllr Payne said it would be nice to get some sport organised for the “Having a Party” on the 13 June. **It was resolved for summer activities to take place w/c 3 August and 10 August.**

Mrs Rice said that it would be nice to have a place to display all the many sports posters/letters that she receives. **It was resolved for the Clerk to find out the cost of a new noticeboard 1 metre by ½ metre for the next meeting.**

422 Recreation area

a) Official Opening.

Cllr Payne advised that this will take place on the “Have A Party” on 13th June between 12:00 to 16:00 and Cllr Payne has given a piece for the Village Voice and in that invited local groups to have fund raising activities. Cllr Payne advised that she had asked if they require water/electricity etc so they can be placed accordingly on the field.

Cllr Daniels asked Cllr Green if he had been able to secure any children’s activities rides etc. Cllr Green said that he had secured an inflatable double gladiator challenge for adults and children. It was 17ft long and filled with balls for safety etc. They will bring their own generator and will give a percentage of their takings. **It was resolved for the Clerk to try and get some more activities.**

Cllr Payne advised that she had revamped the signs for the Recreation Ground. The Clerk advised that she had received some quotes. Cllr Green advised that he had obtained a quote and the size needed to be 75cm x 60cm. **It was resolved for the Clerk to obtain re-quotes as per this size.**

Cllr Green advised that he had completed a visual inspection of the playground. Cllr Green reported that the gate at Bank Road did not close properly and was a risk as children could easily escape. Cllr Green also reported that the shackle for the seat of one of the swings had broken. **It was resolved for the Clerk to get the swing removed and new shackles obtained from Playdale.**

Cllr Green also advised that the surface under these swings was unsafe, as it had come up again. **It was resolved for the Clerk to get Playdale to quote to replace this.**

The Clerk advised that the School, the Brownies and Guides are willing to take part in the planting of the landscaped areas. Cllr Payne advised that nothing had been received from Thaxter's regarding donating some of the plants. Cllr Payne advised that there is no budget until April to purchase plants. **It was resolved for the planting day to be put back until the 18th April and the Clerk to email the School, Brownies and Guides and advised of the new date. It was also resolved for the Clerk to forward the original school email to Fiona Hinds.**

Cllr Payne advised that Cllr Hathaway would like to put a Willow Arch in, which she would like to get funded by the Environment Committee Floral Enhancement Budget. Mrs Hinds said that she had some Willow in her garden that she was willing to donate to the project.

b) Circus

The Clerk advised that she had contacted the circus but had not received a reply. Cllr Wright said that there is a Circus every other week and did not feel that Dersingham was the correct place anymore with parking etc. **It was resolved for the Clerk not to chase the circus.**

423 Village Festivities

a) Christmas Lights Cllr Wright advised that Cllr Anderson would undertake the repairs when it was warmer if there were under 20 breaks he would repair. Cllr Wright advised if the lights could not be repaired that new ones from Cllr Green would need to be purchased.

b) Christmas Fayre The Clerk advised that Snettisham Entertainment Committee do no longer loan out their stalls. Mr Bell from Snettisham does not have any. She contacted an outside firm that will deliver in small quantities but they wanted £100 per stall. **It was resolved not to hold a Christmas Fayre until the new Village Hall is up and running.**

c) Children's Activities Please see Mrs Rice's report.

Cllr Green advised the Committee that there was to be a memorial event by the Biker Section of the Royal British Legion for Ian Hay on the 4th May. Cllr Daniels advised that risk assessments etc would need to be with the Clerk prior to the event taking place.

424 Accounts

a) Current Financial Position

The Clerk handed round the current budget report. (See attached). There was concern regarding how the reserve was recorded. **This to be discussed at the next FGP&A meeting.**

425 Asset Register

The following items should be listed:

Two Christmas Light Sockets

Recreation Ground

Christmas Lights

Playground Equipment

Four Signs

Goal Posts

Gates

Fencing

426 Fields In Trust

The Clerk advised that Cllr Hipkin is not able to undertake the building of the plinth for the plaque. **It was resolved for the Clerk to obtain the design from Cllr Hipkin and to obtain three quotes to get the work undertaken.**

Cllr Green said that B & Q were offering grants for groups to undertake projects. Cllr Payne said that the Mars Group also offer. **It was resolved for Cllr Green to investigate B & Q and Cllr Payne would investigate Mars.**

427 Correspondence

a) Confirmation that the Direct Debit for the Recreation Ground Electricity has been received from E-On Energy.

b) Letter from Norfolk Playing Fields Association.

428 Items for inclusion at the next meeting

The same as this but remove Circus and Christmas Fayre and place Fields in Trust under Recreation Area.

429 Date of next meeting

Monday 13 April 2015 at 6.00pm at the Parish Office.

With no further business the meeting closed at 7.00pm.