

**Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held on Monday 4 January 2016
at Council Offices at 6.00pm.**

Present: Cllrs, C Davey, K Green, B Hopkins, D Wright, S Payne & V Brundle.

Also in Attendance: Parish Clerk, Louise Rice & Cllr J Houston

526 Apologies for absence
Everyone present

527 Declarations of interest
There were no declarations of interest.

528 Minutes of the Recreation Committee Meeting of 7 December 2015
a) Cllr Payne proposed that the minutes be signed this was seconded by Cllr Hopkins. **It was resolved for the Chair to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record**

529 Matters Arising
Graffiti
Cllr Davey advised that the Borough Council has removed the graffiti and asked that a letter of thanks be sent. **It was resolved for the Clerk to send a letter of thanks.**

Goal Posts

Cllr Hopkins advised that this should be achieved within the next week. The Clerk reminded Cllr Wright re invoice for the paint.

530 Mrs L Rice – Intervillage Sports/Sports
Mrs Rice said that there is nothing really to report, more events for the spring will be coming out soon. Cllr Payne asked if Mrs Rice would discuss the August children's activities with Jason as soon as convenient. Mrs Rice to get posters/information to the Clerk to put on the noticeboard as soon as she has received.

531 Recreation area
a) Inspection Reports. Cllr Green advised that his computer had gone wrong and he is waiting for his new one to arrive. Cllr Davey advised that the boat had nearly been completed it was just a matter of removing the timber boards and backing up the soil. Cllr Davey advised that it was very well used for all ages.

b) Litter Bin
The Clerk handed round a quote from Glasdon's with a couple of choices of bins. **It was resolved for the Clerk to order the plastic one for £118.00 and for Mr Lee to fit inside the gate to the left.**

c) Security
Cllr Davey was considering what security could be used on the park. Cllr Davey asked if the Police would advise. Cllr Payne advised that the Police would not have the time to attend but if they did they would want belt and braces and it would not be feasible. **It**

was resolved that this should not be taken any further and to be removed from the next agenda.

532 Skatepark

Cllr Davey said that the grass was growing nicely. Cllr Davey felt that an explanation should be put into Village Voice regarding taking away of the Skatepark. Cllr Brundle advised that she was given a couple of names for the people who vandalised it. Cllr Payne advised that the Police interviewed three people, which included one of the names you were given, but unfortunately nothing could be proven. **It was resolved for the Clerk to obtain a quote to replace the park in concrete and a campaign started to replace.**

533 a) Recreation Activities.

a) Christmas Lights Cllr Wright said that he thought that the six trees looked good, Cllr Payne advised that she also felt this way. Cllr Green advised that on UK Christmas World the same lights were currently on sale at £15.99 but there were better ones for £17.99. The Clerk advised that she had ordered a lamp post key. **It was resolved for the Clerk to get a quote to put a new socket at the Bank Road end and quotes for the lights so that everything was up and running by August.**

b) Village Party Event This is planned for the 18 September and now needs to be advertised and entertainment booked. **It was resolved for the Clerk to start work on this.**

c) The Big Lunch Cllr Payne advised that the Church is undertaking an event on the 12 June to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday. **It was resolved for Cllr Davey/Cllr Payne to speak with Tom Wheeler (Church Warden) to obtain more information and if it was possible to join them.**

d) Children's Activities This was discussed under Mrs Rice's Report.

534 Accounts

a) Current Financial Position

The Clerk circulated the Committee's Budget statement. Everything in order. Cllr Payne advised that there looks like money in the budget to undertake the Christmas Lights from this years budget. **It was resolved for the Clerk to put this in place.**

535 Precept

It was resolved for the Clerk to reduce the Recreation Electricity to £150.00.

536 Correspondence

The Clerk advised that she had spoken with Mark Whitmore at the Borough Council regarding dogs on the Recreation Ground. Cllr Payne advised that the children's end is only registered at the moment. The Clerk advised that Mr Whitmore had advised us to change the signs and he will amend on the next modification but as this has only just been reviewed it may be a while.

Cllr Hopkins advised that the Car Park on the Sports Fields was now being used by dog owners to let their dogs out onto the grass and when would the signs be achieved by the Borough Council. The Clerk advised that Environment are providing the signs but it is the design that the Borough are undertaking. Cllr Payne said the sign has been achieved but

felt that different one's on entrances would be a good idea. **It was resolved for the Clerk to take back to Environment when Cllr Payne has forwarded the new design.**

537 Items for inclusion at the next meeting

Remove Security and Precept.

538 Date of next meeting

Monday 1 February 2016 at 6.00pm at the Parish Office.

With no further business the meeting closed at 6.57pm.