

**Minutes of the meeting of the Recreation Committee held on Monday 3 July 2017
at Council Offices at 6.00pm.**

Present: Cllrs, C Davey, B Hopkins, D Wright & S Payne

Also in Attendance: Mr K Blackwell & Parish Clerk

712 Apologies for absence

Everyone Present.

713 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

714 Minutes of the Recreation Committee Meeting of 5 June 2017

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.**

715 Matters Arising

All items on the agenda.

716 Recreation Area

a) Inspection Reports. Mr Blackwell advised that he had been undertaking the checks but had not filled in the paperwork totally. He agreed to get the forms up to date and send to the Clerk. The Clerk had sent round the recently received RoSPA Report. The report puts us as Medium because of the boat. The boat is the only item at medium risk and it is stated it is down the hard edges. **It was resolved for the Clerk to query with RoSPA as this has just been repaired.**

Kissing Gate. The Clerk advised that this had now been achieved.

Gate – Bank Road The Clerk advised that this has been achieved but opened outwards and the contractor wants to turn it round so it opens inwards. This should be achieved this week.

b) The Clerk advised that she had received a holding email but nothing further from Playdale re the surfacing work.

c) Mr Blackwell advised that the gates at Station Road end needed attention. One gate was buckled and had cracks in the frame and both needed the self-closures replaced or removed. **It was resolved for the Clerk to ask the current gate contractor if he can have a look at them and obtain a quote to fix/replace.**

d) Cllr Davey advised that the footpath along Bank Road was very overgrown. Cllr Payne advised that this was down to Highways, the Clerk advised that they only have an obligation to cut once every five years.

e) Bench/Trees Horticultural Group. Cllr Davey asked if anything had been received back from Mr Fisher regarding the placing of the bench. The Clerk advised that nothing had been received. **It was resolved for the Clerk to chase.**

717 Skatepark

Cllr Payne advised that the Council should consider this in the next financial year. Cllr Davey asked if any of the children were still interested as there had been no complaints of it not being there or asking when a new one would be achieved. Cllr Payne advised that children are not usually this forward. Cllr Payne put a proposal for the money to be used to help bridge any shortfall within the Dersingham Centre budget and replace via the Precept next year. **It was resolved to recommend to Finance & Administration Committee that the money be transferred.**

718 a) Recreation Activities.

a) Village Party Event 10 September 2017

The Clerk advised that she had nearly finished the booking form and had put both events on the same form, so an idea is achieved for Christmas. The Clerk advised that Rex had worked out the programme and time schedule and had been advertising in the Barking Times. The Clerk had asked several companies if they were available and willing to attend and was just waiting for answers. **It was resolved for Mr Blackwell and the Clerk to get together and list attendees, contact details etc.** Cllr Payne advised that she felt another meeting would be necessary in August to address any issues. Cllr Payne advised that a quick meeting next week with updated attendees would also be good. The Clerk advised that they had not been able to organise a Sports Ground Management Committee Meeting to find out what the groups if any were doing on this day. Cllr Payne advised that if they were not interested in having a meeting concerning the use of the facilities etc If necessary the Parish Council may have to consider taking back the field and using the grant to maintain it.

b) Christmas Fayre/Light switch on 26 November 2017

Mr Blackwell updated the committee on what had already been booked. He agreed to prepare a similar list as he is preparing for the Funday.

719 Accounts

a) Current Financial Position

The Clerk handed round the budget report. Very little spent so far, everything in order.

720 Correspondence

Nothing received.

721 Items for inclusion at the next meeting

Same agenda minus skatepark

722 Items for inclusion on the website

No items.

723 Date of next meeting 4 September 2017 at 6.00pm at the Parish Office. If necessary a meeting will be held in August.

With no further business the meeting closed at 6.55pm

Financial Budget Comparison

Comparison between 01/04/17 and 03/07/17 inclusive.

Excludes transactions with an invoice date prior to 01/04/17

		2017/18	Actual Net	Balance
Recreation Income				
500	Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
515	Children's Activities	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
520	Christmas	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
525	Recreation Events	£200.00	£0.00	-£200.00
Total Income		£200.00	£0.00	-£200.00
Expenditure				
5000	Recreation Water	£75.00	£0.00	£75.00
5005	Recreation Ground Electricity	£150.00	£12.00	£138.00
5010	Playground Equipment - New	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
5015	Playground Equipment - Maintenance	£2,000.00	£0.00	£2,000.00
5020	Playground Inspection	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00
5025	Recreation Ground Maintenance	£2,500.00	£0.00	£2,500.00
5030	Recreation Ground Grasscutting	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00
5045	Recreation Events	£1,500.00	£0.00	£1,500.00
5050	Children's Activities	£200.00	£0.00	£200.00
5055	Christmas Activities	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
5060	Funday	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total Expenditure		£9,125.00	£12.00	£9,113.00