

BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN: Alan Mellor



17th October 2024

Draft Minutes of the Sports & Recreation Committee Meeting held on Thursday 10th October 2024 at 7.00pm in the Community Centre, High Street.

Present: Mike Bainbridge (JMB) and Nigel Maggs (NM).

In attendance: Tony Burnley (Brampton and Buckden Senior Football Club), Stuart Henderson and Malcolm Beswick (Cricket Club), Jane Kinnaird (Brampton Spartans Football Club), Paula Moore, Assistant Clerk and Susie Caney, Clerk.

1. Apologies.

Mike Shellens was noted as absent.

2. Public Participation – User Group Representations.

- 2.1 Football - to include the football Federation grant and BSFC proposal for financial support to purchase training lights.

Tony reported that the teams are doing well. He raised a concern with the graffiti on the dugouts which is an ongoing issue. The Clerk will liaise with the grounds team to paint over the comments.

Action – Clerk

Tony mentioned that the BSFC have been using the Seniors' spool to rope off matches. He suggested they purchase a couple of reels for their teams, and offered some spare rope they could purchase if they wish.

Action – Tony and Jane

Jane presented a proposal for the purchase of a Ritelite Sports-Lite 8Kit portable lighting system for the BSFC. The team have secured 75% of funding through a Football Foundation grant but request financial support from BPC for the remaining £1,437. JMB asked for the specification to be sent through and proposed this would be taken to Parish Council for agreement, seconded by NM.

Action – Clerk

Luke (BSFC Vice-Chair) and Jane are working together with the Clerk to re-submit the Football Federation grant paperwork.

Action – Clerk and BSFC

- 2.2 Cricket - to include a proposal for financial support towards the purchase of a digital scoreboard. Malcolm has secured funding for the scoreboard and will not be needing assistance from BPC at this time. Use of the outfield and pitches was discussed, and Malcolm requested the Committee come up with a remedial plan ahead of cricket season. This is to ensure the ground (pitch 4 and 5) is suitable and safe for cricket, with no ruts and ridges. Stuart advised it would need to be rolled, top dressed and seeded. It was suggested that the Golf Club be contacted to find out what they do for repairs to the green.

Action – Malcolm, Stuart and Committee

Jane advised that where possible games would be moved to pitch 3 and there should be lighter use of the pitches in April.

Malcolm reported that the Cricket Club held their AGM recently and the committee remains the same. The Dynamos Youth Cricket has expanded four-fold in the last year with sixty children on the books.

The Cricket Club propose to take on 75% of the maintenance work for the cricket ground. They will draw up a proposal to present to the Committee at the next meeting. The Clerk has requested a schedule/timeline of work needed to maintain the grounds.

Action – Stuart and Malcolm

2.3 Netball.

No report.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 31st July 2024.

The minutes were resolved to be accurate and duly signed by JMB.

4. To receive an update about the resolutions from the above meeting.

2.1.1. Assisting BSFC with the Football Federation Grant. *The Clerk and Jane are collating missing information to resubmit the grant for 2022/23.*

4.1 SH to get quotes for a scarifier. *The Cricket Club are looking into this. The BPC grounds team also requested new equipment – see agenda item 6.5.*

4.2 Clerk to contact Bendcrete re re-surfacing the MUGA. *The outstanding written quote is from Dave at Curtis and Sons. The Clerk has spoken to him this week to follow up.*

4.3 Cricket Club to investigate outside funding for the purchase of cricket practice nets, to include a porous aggregate base for full length wicket. *Pending.*

4.4 To install fencing at the Tractor Park play area on Brampton Park. *The Clerk is awaiting an update from Campbell Buchanan regarding planning permission.*

5. Lady Olivia Centre; Sports Facilities, Grounds Maintenance.

5.1 MUGA – to note repairs carried out by Broadoak Management. *Ongoing small repairs have been noted. Andy Girvan (Campbell Buchanan) has a tender out for repairs/replacement materials before the site is handed over to BPC.*

5.2 Sports Facilities. *Carried forward.*

5.3 General. *None.*

6. Memorial Centre Playing Fields including maintenance to Cricket Square and Football Pitches.

6.1 Cricket Square. *Carried forward.*

6.2 Football Pitches, pitch marking and fixtures. *Following issues at the start of the season with the sizes not being up to regulation standards, Jane has been assisting with measuring pitches ahead of them being marked out by David. The Clerk has requested more notice for next year so that sizes can be confirmed and mapped out before any lines have been painted. Jane will continue to liaise with the Clerk throughout the season.*

6.3 To discuss the drainage and maintenance of goal mouths. *Drainage on pitch 3 and 4 have been bad but pitch 2 is much improved.*

6.4 To consider the feasibility of a 3G training pitch suggested by BSFC. *Jane put forward a proposal to replace the concrete 5-a-side MUGA with a 9v9 3G enclosed training pitch. JMB asked for a specification to be emailed to the Clerk and advised the proposal would be put to the Parish Council for review.*

Action – BSFC and Clerk

6.5 To consider the purchase of equipment for the maintenance of the playing fields:

Truspred, pedestrian spreader and top dresser.

Auto Rotorake MK5, scarifying/thatch removal reel and brush reel.

David has submitted quotes for new equipment to assist the efficient maintenance of the playing fields. The Clerk will source comparisons ahead of the next Finance Committee meeting.

Action - Clerk

6.6 To consider the potential sale or donation of the Bomag pedestrian, self-propelled roller. *It was agreed that the Clerk would investigate prices and list the item 'sold as seen'.*

Action – Clerk.

6.7 General. *None.*

7. Skate Park.

7.1 General. *Jonnie Barton advised he's finding it difficult to quote as it depends on the surfaces that BPC want covering. Jane offered to assist the Clerk with measuring up the appropriate surfaces. It was also suggested that Jonnie supply examples of other projects that would help inform the Council's budget for the project.*

Action – Jane and Clerk

8. MUGA.

8.1 General. *None.*

9. Play Areas.

9.1 Memorial Centre. *No issues reported.*

9.2 Laws Crescent. *The replacement cradle swing and adult swing seat have now been fitted.*

9.3 Tractor play area, Brampton Park. *Pending contact from Paul Spavins (Campbell Buchanan) regarding the planning application.*

9.4 General. *None.*

10. Next agenda items.

Storage for sports equipment.

Removal of concrete patch from playing field.

Maintenance proposal from the Cricket Club.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm