

BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN: Alan Mellor



Minutes of the **Sports & Recreation Committee Meeting**
held on Tuesday 30th April at **7.00pm** in the Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton

Present: Mike Bainbridge (JMB), Sue Clarke (SC), Nigel Maggs (NM).

In attendance: Stephen Briggs, Spartans Football Club, Tony Burnley Brampton & Buckden Senior Football Club. Tess Rogers, Clerk.

In the absence of Jon Chitty, Mike Bainbridge volunteered to chair the meeting, this was welcomed.

1. Apologies

Jon Chitty, Mike Shellens

2. Public Participation – User Group Representation

2.1.1 Football to include progress re the football Federation grant.

Steven Briggs had been unable to arrange a meeting with the Football Foundation with regard to clarifying the terms of their grant. The Football Federation are awaiting an amended invoice showing a complete breakdown of costs incurred by the Parish Council for the maintenance and improvement of the football pitches. Unfortunately, the initial invoice sent contained costings which do not meet the criteria of the grant. JMB said that currently the Parish Council staff are extremely busy with yearend work but will oblige as soon as possible.

The grounds men are marking out the Spartan pitch sizes on pitches 1 and 5 in order that football will not interfere with the cricket out field.

2.1.2 Tony Burnley said that the senior team had not yet purchased the new goal posts for which the Parish Council had provided some funding for. But the price for the posts had risen by £400.00. He said that the club had lost its' reserve team and that the 1st team had been short. There is no guarantee that there will be a 1st team for the next season, but their last game was the Saturday following this meeting and he will find out then. This is the reason the posts had not been ordered. JMB said that the goal posts should be ordered at today's prices and if needed the Finance Committee will be approached regarding the Parish Council being prepared to provide a little more funding in order to make this happen.

2.2 Cricket

No representation at the meeting.

2.3 Netball

No representation at the meeting.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd of February.

SC proposed acceptance of the minutes as being a true record of the meeting, seconded by NM. JMB signed the minutes.

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

4.1 3.2.3 Cricket Square to be scarified – SH to get quotes to purchase a scarifier.

4.2 5.6 Clerk to contact Bendcrete re the re surfacing of the MUGA. Have chased but still awaiting a response from Bendcrete.

4.3 5.7 Cricket Club to investigate outside funding for the purchase of cricket practice nets to include a porous aggregate base for full length wicket. Outstanding.

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- 4.4 5.8 Further quote for the fencing in of the Tractor play area on Brampton Park. Received, 3 quotes to be taken to the finance Committee meeting for consideration.
- 4.5 5.9 Specification required for an irrigation system on the playing field. To investigate the pipework leading from the stop cock at the edge of the skatepark leading to the cricket square – is this still viable? It was queried as to whether a bowser could be used. No decision taken. Await advice from Jon Chitty.
- 4.6 5.10 New CCTV camera – quote required for installation. Clerk has asked Bridges Fire & Security for a quote, not yet received. The Clerk will send relevant detail to Jon Chitty.
- 4.7 6.2 would be possible to arrange a phased release of the formal green spaces at the Lady Olivia Centre (LOC). The Clerk has asked the question of Cambell Buchanan but not yet received a reply.
- 4.8 10.3 Report the play area at the LOC to the police at the next meeting with the local police constable as there is concern drug takers are meeting there. It has not yet been possible to set up a meeting.

5 Lady Olivia Centre; Sports Facilities, Grounds Maintenance

Sports Facilities.

General.

As yet the formal green spaces have not been transferred over to become the responsibility of the Parish Council.

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

6.1 Cricket Square.

The cricket roller is on order with Powerroll and a provisional date for delivery is week commencing the 13th of May.

6.2 Football Pitches

See 2.1.1 and 2.1.2. In addition Tony Burnley reported] that the pitches have held up well in spite of the unusual amount of rainfall experienced since October.

6.3 General.

The playing field is due to be fertilized and weed sprayed in the very near future. The Clerk is waiting to be notified of a date for the overseeding which will be shortly after the last football match of the season has been played. Therefore, early June.

7 Skate Park.

7.1 General.

It was agreed that for the time being the idea of professionally applied graffiti will be deferred.

7.2 The Parish Council has been approached by a TV company regarding the filming of children skateboarding on the skate park to be used in a popular BBC children's program. There was no objection to this as long as certain criteria were met. The Clerk will respond to the enquiry accordingly.

8 MUGA.

8.1 General.

It was suggested that the Clerk at Grafham Parish Council was approached regarding the surface to their MUGA.

9 Play Areas

9.1 Memorial Centre

9.2 Laws Crescent

There is nothing to report regarding 9.1 and 9.2.

9.3 General.

The assistant caretaker has recently received a certificate of achievement in the routine inspection of children's playgrounds.

9.4 To review new quotes for the fencing in of the Tractor play area on Brampton Park.
See 4.4 above.

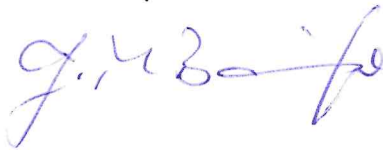
10. Next agenda items.

There was nothing raised at this time.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Signed:

Chair



Date:

31st JULY 2024