

# **BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**

CHAIRMAN: John Michael Bainbridge



Draft minutes of the **Sports & Recreation Committee Meeting**  
held on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7.00pm**  
in the Memorial Centre, Thrapston Road, Brampton

**Present:** Malcolm Beswick, Chair (MB), Mike Bainbridge (JMB), Jon Chitty (JC),  
Mike Shellens (MS)

**In attendance:** 2 members of the Brampton Bulls netball club, 2 members of the Phoenix netball club,  
Tony Burnley and Adam Burnley. Senior Football Club, Stewart Henderson, Cricket Club. Simon  
Fletcher, Spartans football club. Tess Rogers, Clerk.

## **1. Apologies**

Nigel Maggs. Andrew Jarman.

## **2. Public Participation – User Group Representations**

2.1 Football – to include use of the pitches whilst the cricket season is in progress.

It was agreed that during the cricket season pitches 2, 4 and 5 would not be used. Pitch 2 will be marked out within pitch 1 for league games for the under 11's. Training can take place on pitch 3. Saturday soccer school will take place on pitch 3. The last junior match is on the 27<sup>th</sup> of May.

However, training will continue through the Summer.

The grounds men will mark out the pitches as required.

Tony Burnley proposed an irrigation system be installed on the playing field, seconded by Stewart Henderson. This will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.. He said that now the season is completed Brampton Seniors have finished mid league. The team was congratulated on completing the season.

An item will be placed in the Brampton Magazine requesting that dogs be kept on leads if walking them on the field whilst football matches are in progress. This being because over the last couple of weeks matches have had to be stopped as dogs have run onto the pitches.

### **Action: Clerk**

Football clubs can request the number of the management company of Brampton Park for permission to play on the field there until the field is turned over to the Parish Council.

2.2 Cricket

The Parish Council had agreed to site 2 cricket nets on the field, however the cricket club have got to provide a portion of the funding and will be holding a meeting to consider where this might come from. The Cricket Club is liaising with the grounds staff regarding the maintenance work required on the cricket square.

2.3 Netball

The Brampton Bulls reported that they have now started Netball Now which are sessions where anyone can turn up and play netball. They had 40 people arrive at the last session.

The Brampton Bulls are going to be training at the Lady Olivia Centre and will buy their own posts. Their training will take place one hour before Phoenix club train.

2.4 Sports Club fees

These were discussed and it was agreed to leave them as they are. The Football Association are still providing a grant on an annual basis. MB will meet with the chair of the Finance committee to work out how much the clubs and maintenance of the field cost the Parish Council.

**Action: MB**

**3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March 2023.**

The minutes had been received and approved at the Parish Council meeting held in March therefore taken as read.

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

4.1 4.1 MB to check lighting for the MUGA at Brampton Park and that in the storage shed. Outstanding.

4.2 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. SH said that this had been discussed at a recent cricket club committee meeting. Other quotes will be sought. The item will be reconsidered at the May meeting of this committee. As per 2.2 above.

**Action: Cricket**

4.3 4.4 Awaiting the youth club's response to their involvement with professional graffiti on the skate park. Still outstanding as no response received yet.

**Action: MB**

4.4 7.1 The cricket net is to be erected at the skate park. John Childs has been asked to do this. If not done contact Stewart Henderson.

**Action: JRC/SH**

**5.0 Lady Olivia Centre; Sports Facilities, Grounds Maintenance**

5.1 Sports Facilities.

5.2 Grounds Maintenance

5.3 General.

As the formal green space has yet to be passed over to the Parish Council there was no discussion held on any of the 3 agenda items immediately above.

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

6.1 To consider a site for the outdoor table tennis table.

It was agreed to site the table beside the basket ball hoop on the playing field. A hard standing will be laid upon which the table will be placed.

**Action: Clerk**

6.2 To further discuss the future of a roller for the cricket square.

The rental cost of the roller the Parish Council has on hire will be compared to the possible cost of a second hand roller. Whereupon the preferred option will be put forward into the 2024-25 budget.

**Action: Clerk**

6.3 General.

The cricket club volunteers undertaking the ongoing maintenance of the cricket square will need to liaise with the grounds men regarding access to the necessary equipment.

**Action: Cricket/Volunteers**

A list of equipment required will be compiled.

The grounds men will be invited to the next meeting.

**7. Skate Park.**

7.1 General.

Glass is often found on the skate park although the sign expressly says no glass.

The neighbourhood sergeant will be reminded that now that the lighter evenings are with us instances of unsocial behaviour will increase.

<https://bramptonpc.sharepoint.com/sites/clerk/Shared Documents/2023/Sports & Recs/Minutes/Draft Minutes 02.05.23.doc>

**8. MUGA**

8.1 MUGA – resurfacing. The clerk is finding it difficult to find companies prepared to give a quote for this work. It was mentioned that the MUGA at One Leisure in St Ives has recently been resurfaced therefore One Leisure will be approached for the name of the contractor that did the resurface.

**Action: Clerk**

8.2 General. Nothing raised.

**9. Play Areas**

9.1 Memorial Centre. Nothing for discussion.

9.2 Laws Crescent. Nothing for discussion.

9.3 Lady Olivia Centre. Nothing for discussion.

9.4 Brampton Park, tractor park fencing quotes. Two quotes have been received. One being from September 2022. Therefore, the contractor will be asked if this price still stands. A third quote is required.

**Action: Clerk**

9.5 General. Nothing raised.

**10. Next agenda items**

10.1 Irrigation system on the Memorial Centre playing field.

The meeting was closed at 08.11pm.

Signed:  
Chair

Date: