

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Playing Field Management Partnership held on 13th June 2016

Present

Councillors – Gathercole, Norman

Members – Mr. J Wilkinson (Chair), Mr. J Gowler, and Mr. C Thompson

9 members of the public

Clerk - S Thorpe

1. Apologies

None.

2. Declarations of Interest on Agenda Items

None.

3. Confirm Minutes of the Meeting Held on 9th May 2016

Having been circulated before the meeting, the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters Arising

Overhead barrier had now been straightened and notices displayed giving emergency contact telephone numbers. A post had also been inserted to reduce the gap in the fence between the car park and the playing field. Thanks were expressed to Mr. John Askew who had assisted with both tasks.

5. Football

Mr. Gowler advised that the under 6 manager had stepped down due to a lack of time for the commitment that was required for the role. A replacement had already been found but they were in need of equipment, ie small goals and bibs. Cllr Gathercole advised that he would pass on some contact details to Mr. Gowler that may be able to help.

6. Reports from user groups

It was reported that the skate ramp had been damaged by vandalism; the two top roll bars had been removed and one strip of metal was missing. The damaged had been inspected and it was not dangerous at present. Cllr Norman & Gathercole to carry out repairs.

Barrier at other end of car park needs to be straightened or possibly replaced. Cllr Norman & Gathercole to look into action required.

Incidents of owners bringing dogs on to the playing field were reported. On one occasion the owner refused to leave and said that he often brought his dog to the field and would continue to do so. It was agreed that this should be referred to the PC meeting for them to consider issue of a letter to the dog owner advising them to refrain from bringing the dog to the playing field. Additional signs were to be installed advising dog owners that dogs were not permitted on the playing field at any time.

The land next to the bowling green was becoming very overgrown again and it was agreed that the PC should be asked to send a letter to the owner asking for it to be cleared.

7. Members Concerns or Items for Next Agenda

Items to remain on next agenda as already agreed.

8. Date of Next Meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership

11th July at 7.15pm at St James Methodist Church.

Mr. Gowler gave his apologies in advance for the next meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.25pm

Chairman Date