

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Playing Field Management Partnership held on 9th December 2019

Present

Councillors – Wilkinson (Chair), Gathercole, Norman & Partridge. Representatives – Mr Gowler.

Four members of the public

Clerk – S Thorpe

1. **Apologies**
Apologies had been received from Miss Wabe.
2. **Declarations of Interest on agenda items**
None
3. **Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 14th October 2019**
Having been circulated before the meeting, the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.
4. **Matters arising**
None.
5. **Update on replacement of the Skate Ramp and refurbishment of MUGA area including electric supply for flood lighting to MUGA.**
The Clerk advised that the PC had agreed to accept the offer from Sport England to pay for flood lighting for the MUGA. The Clerk was trying to obtain quotations for the work; an electric supply would be needed and the PC did not currently have one at the site. It would be cheaper to ask the Hall committee if their supply could be used and a meter installed to charge the PC for electricity used. It was agreed that the PC should be asked to authorise contacting the Hall committee to ask for permission.
6. **Update on CCTV survey of the damaged culvert at the front of the playing field**
The PC had appointed a local contractor to do the survey. He had been given Cllr Gathercole's contact details and would liaise with him when weather permitted.
7. **Update on repairs to the damage to the car park surface**
The PC had decided to accept the quotation from Harris Road Contractors Ltd as long as it was like for like with another quotation. Cllr Gathercole and the Clerk had held another meeting with the contractor and were satisfied that the quotation, whilst not exactly like for like was suitable. It was agreed that the PC should be asked to approve.
8. **Request to use part of the playing field for an event on 11th July 2020**
A request had been received from Fenmarc to use part of the playing field for a fun-day event with colleagues which would also use the Hall. They required about 50x60m for the activities planned which could include a BBQ, outdoor seating, giant games and possibly an ice cream van/stall. The event would end by 9pm.
To give permission to use part of the field as per previously agreed conditions.
Prop: Cllr Gathercole 2nd: Cllr Partridge Agreed.
9. **Issues connected to the new Marshland Hall**
Lighting in the car park was a problem at the moment. The litter bin from inside the Bowls Green was to be moved to the seats on the terrace as litter was a problem.
10. **Maintenance of the football pitches**
Mr Gowler advised that some areas were looking a little rough at the moment but they had no more matches until the new year. They had called off two training sessions due to the condition and were using the bottom pitch as well. Cllr Gathercole asked if the goal posts could be moved as soon as possible to allow the areas around them to repair over the next few weeks; Mr Gowler agreed to do this.
11. **General maintenance issues at the Playing Field**
None.
12. **Football**
Mr Gowler advised that the first team was currently second in the league and the junior teams were all doing well with numbers increasing all the time.
13. **Report from user groups**
None.
14. **Members concerns or items for next agenda**
Items to remain on the agenda as already agreed.
15. **Date of next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership**
The next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership would be on 13th January 2020 at the Marshland Hall from 7.15pm.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm

Chairman..... Date.....