

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Playing Field Management Partnership held on 13th May 2019

Present

Councillors – Wilkinson (Chair), Norman, Gathercole.
Members and Representatives – Mr Partridge, Miss Wabe

Four members of the public

Clerk – S Thorpe

1. **Apologies**
No apologies had been received.
2. **Declarations of Interest on agenda items**
None
3. **Confirm minutes of the meeting held on 8th April 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. **Maintenance of the football pitches**
It was reported that there were some bald patches of grass in the area which had been used as training for the junior teams.
That Cllr Gathercole should apply some grass seed to the bald patches.
Cllr Norman 2nd Cllr Wilkinson Agreed.
6. **Update on replacement of the Skate Ramp and refurbishment of MUGA area**
The public consultation was still ongoing but so far 40 replies had been received and there was overwhelming support for the project to replace the skate ramp and refurbish the MUGA area. A decision on applying for funding to be made at the next meeting following the end of the consultation.
7. **Damage to the car park surface**
Members left the room to view the damage. It was agreed that Cllr Gathercole should seek advice from Highways and another party on what was needed to repair the damaged area near to the exit; matter to be discussed again at the next meeting. There was a hole near to the entrance, although a smaller issue, it needed urgent attention.
That the PC should be asked to authorise Cllr Gathercole to carry out the repairs to the hole near the entrance.
Cllr Norman 2nd: Mr Partridge Agreed.
8. **Issues connected to the new Marshland Hall**
An issue with drainage was currently being resolved. There was a problem with the lights in one of the dressing rooms but this was due to be fixed. Cllr Norman expressed disappointment that the company who had been given permission to use part of the field for a private function at the Hall had not followed the instructions given to them, which was to rope off the area of the playing field they were using, marking this area for private use; instead they had installed signs which implied that the whole site was closed for a private function. It was agreed that this situation should not be allowed to occur again as residents could have felt they were unable to use the whole site.
9. **General maintenance issues at the Playing Field**
Cllr Gathercole advised that the bank needed spraying with weed killer and some new screws would be need for repairs to the half pipe.
That the PC should be asked to authorise Cllr Gathercole to provide the materials and labour for the spraying and purchase of the screws.
Prop: Cllr Norman 2nd Cllr Wilkinson Agreed.
10. **Football**
Nothing new to report.
11. **Report from user groups**
Cllr Norman asked if members of the public using remote control cars on the playing field needed public liability insurance. Clerk to contact insurance company for advice.
12. **Members concerns or items for next agenda**
Items to remain on the agenda as already agreed.
13. **Date of next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership**
The next meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership would be on 10th June 2019 at the Marshland Hall from 7.15pm.

Meeting closed at 7.32pm

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