

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the
Playing Field Management Partnership
Held on 11th October 2021

Attendance and apologies (Agenda Item 1)

Elected Members		Present	Absent	Apologies
Cllr Gathercole		Yes		
Cllr Norman	Vice Chair		Yes	Yes
Cllr Partridge			Yes	No
Cllr Thorpe		Yes		
Cllr Wilkinson	Chair	Yes		
Mr Gowler			Yes	No
Ms Wabe			Yes	Yes

Also present:

Neil Watson – Clerk to the Council

2 members of the public

Agenda Item	Discussion	Motion
2. Receive declarations of interest on Agenda Items	None	
3. Approve the minutes of the meeting on 13 th September	The minutes were accepted by acclaim	
4. Matters arising	None other than Agenda items	
5. To provide an update on the replacement of the Skate Ramp and refurbishment of the MUGA including to consider an official opening.	A lighting fault is being rectified under warranty. It was agreed that we should hold an official opening on Saturday 4 th December 2021. Clerk to contact Sports England about sending a representative.	
6. Update on the drainage issue at the front of the playing field site	The latest correspondence from Water Management Alliance states that they will contact the relevant Landowners and manage their compliance with their riparian responsibilities. DG to speak to WMA to move things forward.	
7. Update on quotations for repairs to the car park entrance	It was agreed that this unfunded expenditure be postponed to 2022 and included in the 2022 budget. Grant funding via the Parish Partnership Scheme to be explored to assist with the cost	

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8. To discuss any issues connected to the Marshland Hall		
a. Halloween Scarecrows	It was agreed that the scarecrow trail could be erected this year.	
b. Signage for Tea Rooms	The request to erect a permanent sign board was agreed, subject to erection not contravening any planning requirements.	
c. General signage around the site	It was decided that as these signs were being regularly vandalised they would not be replaced at this time, but the situation monitored.	
	A request was made for the Hall to use the playing field on 24 th April 2022 for a St Georges Day spring spectacular, which was agreed. A small, laminated sign was circulated which has the text of a safety disclaimer for the skate ramp; it was agreed that the sign should be reproduced in a permanent form and fixed to the ramp as soon as possible. DG to obtain quotes.	
	A letter from Marshland Women's Institute requested permission to plant a tree in the playing field to commemorate the centenary of the Isle of Ely Federation of Women's Institutes. The request was agreed, with the exact location to be decided following a site visit.	
9. To discuss any general maintenance issues at the playing field	The grass cutting is not always being carried out to schedule, DG enquired when the contract was due for renewal. Clerk to advise.	
10. To discuss maintenance of the football pitches	None	
11. Football	There is a fixture clash on Sunday 17 th with the Farmers Market, the football club have asked permission to park their vehicles alongside the pitch on this occasion. This was agreed subject to careful marshalling.	
12. Reports from user groups	None	
13. Receive members concerns and matters to be included on next agenda	None	
14. Confirm date and time of next meeting	Monday 8 th November at 7.00pm at Marshland Hall	
Meeting Closed	7.35pm	

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