

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Playing Field Management Partnership Held on 26th September 2022

Minute No 22/1029

Attendance, and to receive consider and accept apologies for absence (Agenda Item 1)

Elected Members		Present	Absent	Apologies
Cllr Gathercole		Yes		
Cllr Partridge		Yes		
Cllr Thorpe			Yes	Yes
Cllr Wilkinson	Chair	Yes		
Mr Gowler		Yes		
Mrs Gowler			Yes	Yes
Mr Norman	Vice-Chair		Yes	Yes
Ms Wabe			Yes	Yes

Mr Norman took the chair for the meeting

Also present:

Neil Watson – Clerk to the Council

3 members of the public

Minute No	Agenda Item	Discussion
	2. Receive declarations of interest on Agenda Items	None
22/1030	3. Approve the minutes of the meeting on 11 th July 2022	The minutes were accepted by acclaim
	4. Matters arising	None
	5. To discuss any matters connected to the Marshland Hall	None
	6. To discuss any general maintenance issues at the playing field	The trees and shrubs have been trimmed around the perimeter, and the playing field has been sprayed.
	a. Replacement of swing seats	The four swing seats have been replaced; thanks were expressed to Fenland Leisure Products for their prompt attention to this in the peak summer season.
	b. Replacement of zip-wire seat	The zip-wire seat has been replaced.
	c. Litter and bins	Deferred to next meeting
	7. To discuss maintenance of the football pitches	The field has been reseeded as needed. Use of the field is rotated as much as possible to spread the wear. There is just one adult pitch marked at present as much of the activity is for younger players. Dog mess has been found on the pitch; the Clerk can report this anti-social habit to BCKLWN enforcement team if any details can be collected of the culprit.

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22/1031	8. Football	The first team is currently top of the league and the Club is active and thriving with much activity. This leads to many vehicles on-site and the Club have requested permission to park vehicles at the edge of the pitch. The Clerk is to check of any insurance restrictions related to such parking arrangements. It was noted that the reason for the request was to pre-empt any complaints about parking on the main road, it was noted that such parking (provided it complies with traffic law) is not an offence. The football club will do all they can to limit the impact of vehicles by staggering start times and restricting the number of simultaneous games as much as possible. The request was declined by members on the grounds of health and safety and concern for the grass.
22/1032	9. Reports from user groups	The bowls green has been scarified and cut and will be top-dressed shortly. It was noted that the green is in superb condition and a letter of thanks is to be sent by the Clerk to the Bowls Club thanking them for all their hard work. Rainwater harvesting for watering the green was discussed. It was noted that the cutting season had almost ended.
	10. Receive members concerns and matters to be included on next agenda	None
	11. Confirm date and time of next meeting	Monday 10 th October 2022 at 7.00pm at Marshland Hall
	Meeting Closed	7.30pm

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