Minutes of the Leisure & Recreation Committee held on Monday 16th January 2012 in Messingham village hall commencing at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Councillors J Walker (Chair), Mrs B Todd, Mrs G Sherwood, Mrs J Briggs and the Clerk. It was brought to the Clerk's attention that the agenda for the meeting had not been received by email in the usual way which could account for the poor attendance. The Clerk apologised for the oversight.

163. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors N Poole, J England, T Foster and W Elsome.

164. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None received.

165. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

a) Min 147 Linc Fest on Tour 2012

The Clerk reported that she had not received any further information from Mr Bale. Concern was raised regarding the potential damage to the field from a fun fair. It was agreed to defer a decision to the full Parish Council.

b) Min 150b Diamond Jubilee Tree Planting

The Clerk provided a basic diagram of the existing trees on Holme Meadow. It was agreed to fill in the gaps in the copse and to plant on the eastern boundary leaving access for maintenance of the dyke. It was agreed to use the Scunthorpe Telegraph to advertise for volunteers. Planting date agreed to be on Saturday 11th February at 10.00am.

c) Min 155d/3 Diamond Jubilee Beacon.

It was agreed that the most appropriate to light a beacon would be in the vicinity of Holy Trinity Church. It was suggested that a bonfire beacon made from waste wood could be created in the corner of the new churchyard.

166. HOLME MEADOW

The Clerk reported that Lytec Electrical is awaiting brackets to complete the installation of the floodlights.

167. PLAYING FIELD EXTENSION

Councillor Walker reported that the chicken wire already installed at the Churchyard perimeter is sufficient.

168. PLAY AREA

The Clerk reported that Councillor Proctor had stood in for the Play Area Attendant during a recent period of sickness. Thanks to Councillor Proctor to be noted.

169. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Holme Meadow Sign

The Clerk asked that a new sign be considered for the entrance to Holme Meadow to replace the current assortment of signs. It was agreed that a price be obtained for a new sign and to be recommended to the Parish Council. It was suggested that some of the existing signs could be resited i.e. the Holme Meadow sign to the middle gate and the Dogs to the Perimeter sign to the other end of the field.

b) Playing Field

It was noted that the Clerk receives telephone calls on occasion from patrons of the playing field who have had their cars locked in – it was agreed that the playing field committee should erect a sign at the entrance with their own contact details.