

Minutes of **Leisure & Recreation Committee** meeting held on Monday **24th June 2013** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors J R Walker (Chair), W Elsome, J Mountain, Mrs G Sherwood, J England, P Wright and M Caley; two members of the public and the Clerk.

29. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillors N Poole, Mrs B Todd and T Foster.

30. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

31. MATTERS REFERRED FROM PARISH COUNCIL

a) M.U.G.A.

Suggested questionnaires had been received from Simon Seal at NLC and were read out. After discussion it was agreed that the MUGA only questionnaire be used and distributed to every household in the village. It was also agreed that the proposed site of the MUGA should also be included on the document. The Clerk to produce the questionnaire for approval at the next Parish Council meeting.

b) FLOODLIGHT DAMAGE

Councillors Wright and Caley reported on their meeting with Tony Dawes of Lytec Limited and produced photographs of the extension pole in evidence. Councillor Wright concluded that the extension pole was of sub-standard manufacture and that strong winds would have been enough to cause the damage. It was noted that Lytec expect to be paid for their invoice relating to the removal of the unsafe pole. Discussions about claiming a refund for the original installation of the extension pole, or for a new extension pole to be fitted at Lytec's own cost took place as well as suggesting that an insurance claim be made. It was agreed to make further enquiries with Trading Standards and to refer to the next Parish Council meeting.

32. HOLME MEADOW

a) Drainage Work - it was noted that the disturbed soil on the drainage trenches has depressed and needs top soil with grass seed to be applied in October/November. Councillor Elsome commented that Messingham Show had been let down by the Parish Council for not ensuring that the ground had been re-instated satisfactorily with the outcome that the Affiliated show jumping could not take place. *Councillor England declared his personal interest in this matter as a member of the Show Committee.* It was noted that the ground could not be fully re-instated due to the delay in the work as result of the weather conditions – Councillor England commented that the circumstances had been accepted and no blame attached to the Parish Council.

b) MESSINGHAM JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB – Councillor Mrs Sherwood commented that members of the football club have offered their assistance for any pitch maintenance work that needs to be carried out during the summer.

33. PLAYING FIELD EXTENSION – No issues reported

34. PLAY AREA - No issues reported

35. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Lawnmower

Councillor Walker reported that the handyman has requested that the lawnmower be replaced for a more substantial model. It was noted that the current mower is two years old but is probably more suited to domestic use. Scunthorpe Lawnmower Services have quoted £550 for a Honda model with 21" cut but with a discount of £50 and £100 trade-in. It was agreed to check the warranty before referring to the next Parish Council meeting for approval.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 7.58pm.