

Minutes of **Leisure & Recreation Committee** held on **Monday 19th July 2010** in the Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors J R Walker (Chair), W Elsome, Mrs B Todd, J England, J Mountain, T Foster and Mrs G Sherwood and the Clerk.

55. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor N Poole – prior engagement

56. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None Received

57. MATTERS REFERRED FROM PARISH COUNCIL

Min 46k – Holme Meadow Football Pitches

Further correspondence received from members of MJFC requesting that the goal posts be erected earlier, preferably the end of July, for pitches 2 & 3. This was approved. It was also agreed to write to MJFC for their assurance that the concreting in of the post sleeves would be flush with the ground and not impose a trip hazard. It was also agreed to confirm in writing that Pitch 1 be marked out approx. 7yds further east.

58. HOLME MEADOW

- a) HOLME LANE HEDGE – it was noted that the hole in the hedge is still being used for access despite a wooden fence panel being inserted. Handyman to look into securing the fence.
- b) DRAINAGE – Councillor Walker reported that he had spoken to Richard Chappell and is waiting for a site visit. It was suggested that an aerial photograph would be useful and that the Internal Drainage Board may be able to provide one – Cllr. England agreed to make enquiries.
- c) SDPOC – Reported vandalism to their mobile caravan when parked overnight prior to a show – agreed to inform the police and ask for regular weekend patrols particularly when a show is booked.
- d) HEIGHT BARRIER – Reported to have been damaged over the weekend 17/18th July – Cllr. Walker advised that he had repaired same.
- e) WEED SPRAYING – It was noted that this has not been done to date. Clerk to contact Veolia. It was also noted that a large quantity of ragwort has appeared – Veolia to be asked if this can be sprayed at the same time.
- f) GUIDES TREE – Reported to be in serious need of water. Clerk to contact Guides.
- g) CAMP FIRE – Evidence of a camp fire close to Pitch 3 reported.
- h) KEYS – Cllr. England requested on behalf of Messingham Show Committee that they be provided with a full set of keys for Show use, to be lodged with Mr Derek Spavin. This was agreed. *Councillors England and Foster declared their interest as members of the Show Committee.*

59. PLAYING FIELD EXTENSION

The Clerk reported that the work on the boundary fence at 28 Northfield Road is to commence on 9th August.

60. PLAY AREA

- a) The Clerk advised that she had devised an Incident Form for the play area attendant to complete in the event of vandalism, damage or closure due to weather. This was approved.
- b) The Clerk advised that she will provide the play area attendant with a litter picker for the removal of objects from the play area.

61. OTHER BUSINESS

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It was reported that rabbits appear to have miximatosi. Mr Duffield to be contacted with regard to the overall rabbit problem.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING. Meeting closed at 7.40pm.