

**Management Committee of the King George V Playing Field, Hunton**  
**Charity number 1084141**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2007 at 7.30pm**  
**at the Hunton Club, West Street**

Present:-

Chairman:	Mr Keith Eatwell	Hunton Parish Council
	Mr John Adams	Hunton Cricket Club
	Mr John Bates	Hunton Football Club
	Mr Alan Bishop	Hunton Parish Hall
	Mr Mike Nichols	Hunton Bowls Club
	Mr Danny Peacock	Hunton Football Club
	Mr Roger Sawtell	Hunton Parish Council
	Mr Simon Taylor	Hunton Cricket Club
Acting Secretary:	Mr David Swan	Parish Clerk, Hunton

**1. Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

**2. Apologies**

These had been received from Margaret Carpenter

**3. Minutes of the previous meeting**

These were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> February. Copies had been distributed to all Trustees, Parish Councillors and local press representatives and would as usual be made available generally.

**4. Matters Arising**

All matters were reviewed. The following were noted:-

Safety

**KE** said that the storage of Calor gas behind the football changing room was in hand. The PAT testing had been done and the Cricket Club would hire the necessary equipment. **DS** would invite Paul Boulton to look again at the site in June.

Grass and hedge trimming, rubbish clearance and tree management

The MBC litter pick etc seemed to be working well although the test would be in the busier months. Tree and hedging work was in progress; the ash would be dealt with on Tuesday and the oaks on Wednesday.

Boundaries

The walk around the boundaries would take place before the next meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> June. **DS** would arrange. **RMS** and **DS** had met **KCC** Highways earlier that day but had made no significant progress so far as the road boundary was concerned. Expert advice was needed. **AB** would enquire through contacts and endeavour to arrange a meeting.

Bowls Club

The fencing was in place and looked very good. The grounds man had said it would make his life much easier. The associated slabs would go on to the wish list. Thanks to **JA**, the safety netting was back in place although the guy ropes on the east side needed attention.

Water meters

**JA** would have these in place shortly.

Pitch reinstatement

The Parish Council had agreed to this work which would be done at the end of the season.

### KGV brass plaques

The Chairman accepted custody of these from DS. Secure mounting would be vital.

### **5. Play and sport facilities for children and young people**

KE was making contacts with Dave Hitchins from the Borough, Brian Mortimer and the officer responsible for funding in the Borough. He would arrange for the sub-committee to write to start to raise funds with the emphasis on 2008 so far as the village is concerned. A provisional booking for 28<sup>th</sup> June 2008 for a summer fair was made.

### **6. Car Park and footway from Bensted Close**

The item sticking up in the car park would be examined at the next meeting. Doug Redfarne had arranged for the play area to be cleaned off and for the gully from the car park to the ditch to be dug out. Wet weather would be the test.

TRAMP seemed the best way of approaching the need for the footpath but the development of the Parish Plan could strengthen the village's negotiating hand.

### **7. Finance**

There were no particular matters for discussion under this heading although it was noted that the Olympics would significantly reduce the sums available through the Lottery.

### **8. Administration**

#### Bylaws

Despite reminders, DS had received no reply from the Borough so would himself draft for Committee members to consider.

#### Declaration of Trust

All parties, including the NPFA, the Charity Commission, the Parish Council and the Committee were content with the new document, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes. The need for the change stemmed from a decision of the Commission which affected all King George Fields.

So far as the conduct of the Hunton charity is concerned the Commission had expressed its satisfaction with the present arrangements and the present cordial and effective organisation would continue. The Acting Secretary was responding as appropriate to correspondence from the Charity and Audit Commissions who in turn were responding to letters from the former Chairman of the Bowls Club. The Committee was unanimous in its view that it was a great pity that this correspondence was taking up so much time.

#### Insurance

The block insurance held by the NPFA would not be appropriate for our Field and it was agreed that DS would seek advice from the Kent Association of Parish Councils.

#### Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed that all three clubs should be sent individual invitations. DS to arrange.

### **9. Wish-list update**

Boundaries, play equipment and the Bowls Club slabs were the primary items at present.

### **10. Other Parish News**

The extension to the Hall was to be built at the end of July.

### **11. Next meetings**

The next meeting would with the agreement of the Club Committee, be in the Club on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June but would begin at the Field at 7.30pm.

There being no further matters the meeting ended at 9.20pm.