

Management Committee of the King George V Playing Field, Hunton
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th March 2018 at 8:15pm
At Hunton Village Club, West Street, Hunton
Charity number 1084141

Present: Mr Simon Taylor Hunton Cricket Club
 Mr Colin Slattery Hunton Bowls Club
 Mrs Margaret Carpenter Hunton Bowls Club
 Mr Tony Stanbridge Hunton Parish Council
 Mr Danny Peacock Hunton Football Club
 Mr Roger Sawtell

Secretary: Mrs Sharon Goodwin

Apologies: Mr David Heaton Hunton Parish Council
 Mr Steve Jones Hunton Cricket Club

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting on 10th January 2018, other than a paragraph relating to Craigdene Limited (under Health & Safety) which could be removed as it related to the previous meeting. Copies had been distributed to all Trustees, Parish Councillors and local press representatives and were as usual available on request.

3. Matters arising

- There is currently no mole activity on the field.

4. Health & safety

- Two MBC monthly reports have been received on the children's play area since the last meeting. The only comment is 'paint on the multiplay timber'. The new nest swing has been included on the latest report.
- The new fencing and gate have been installed between the car park and play area by Tate Fencing. ST has attached the signage to the fencing, except the KCPFA sign, to be erected when it has been mounted on a wooden backing.
- Tantons Tree Surgery has not carried out the remedial work on the Turkey Oak tree yet.
- ST will email all members of the Committee to agree a date within the next 2-3 weeks for the play area refurbishment work. 25th March was agreed as a provisional date. ST will purchase paint and any other materials needed.

5. Finance

- The Income & Expenditure report to 28th February 2018 was produced to the Committee and noted. After outstanding invoices have been paid this evening there will be £3,752 in funds remaining. Three cheques have been written since the last meeting: 300021 - RIP Cleaning Services (bin emptying) - £21.00

300022 - Robert Cox (strimming the perimeter) - £40.00

300023 - Tate Fencing (new fencing and gate) - £1,429.52

- ST suggested that the Committee should think about how funds should be spent in 2018/19. Suggestions included an additional picnic table and fencing around the play area to stop dogs getting in. Ideas to be considered at the next meeting.
- ST reported that there had been a serious water leak at the old cricket pavilion. Three burst pipes resulted in water running out for some time before it was spotted and the supply isolated, so the next bill is likely to be high. The new pavilion is currently without water, possibly due to an air lock. A plumber is to visit.
- ST has located the water meter cover for the field supply near the village hall, which has two sensors sticking out, but the chamber was full of earth. TS advised that the water company should be notified and asked to clean it out.
- The following payments (totalling £357.42) were approved and cheques signed by MC and ST:

300024 - MBC - Annual rental of two garden waste bins £74.00

300025 - RIP Cleaning Services - Bin emptying (February & March) £42.00

300026 - BHIB Insurance Brokers - Trustees indemnity insurance £166.42

300027 - Hunton Bowls Club - Contribution towards new fence £75.00

6. Administration

- It was agreed that the Trustees Indemnity Insurance should be taken out with BHIB Insurance Brokers (who took over the renewal rights to the scheme from AON from 1st September 2017) at a cost of £166.42 (£165.72 last year). The policy is being underwritten by Royal and Sun Alliance Insurance plc.
- The Annual Report for the year ended 31st March 2017 has been submitted to the Charity Commission.
- SG reported that an online form needs to be completed for the Valuation Office to allow them to calculate the business rates for the pavilion. ST supplied the start of use date for the pavilion (May 2016).

7. Other parish news

- ST has installed the 'vehicles parked at own risk' and CCTV signs in the car park area.
- Jeremy Dufour (South East Water) will be attending the next Parish Council meeting on 26th March to discuss plans for the Hunton Hill water replacement. South East Water will also be holding a public drop-in session before work starts. TS advised that work is due to start in June.
- RS asked whether any action has been taken on the potholes on Hunton Hill. TS has reported them to Kent Highways.
- RS asked whether there had been any further progress with the planning application for 8 houses at Durrants Farm, which the Parish Council had objected to. SG advised that MBC has not made a decision yet.

8. Any other matters

- The stock fencing for the West Street side of the recreation ground is to be installed.
- CS will fit the angle irons to brace the posts holding the safety netting near the Bowls Club on Easter weekend or when the play area refurbishment takes place.
- The fence panel for the recessed area from the Bowls Club to the Football Club changing rooms will be measured up when the play area is refurbished.

- ST will attend the next Parish Council meeting to ask for funding for the skip to clear the green container.
- SG reported that the Committee has been asked for permission to run a bar from a vintage caravan in the car park for a wedding booking at the village hall on 8th August. It was agreed that the hirer should be asked more questions, such as:
Why does there need to be an external bar? There is a bar in the village hall.
Where will the caravan be located?
Will drinks be served in plastic or glass glasses?
How will litter be dealt with?
Also need to consider parking if cricket or bowls matches are being played on that date.
- TS suggested that the Committee could get quotes from other water companies to compare to South East Water costs. In addition, as there could well be more water leaks in future, it could be worth taking out specific insurance against the cost of water leaks and repairs.
- MC reported that the Bowls Club has replaced the fence at the end of the green and asked if the Committee would make a donation towards the cost (£150). It was agreed that a contribution of £75 should be made.
- MC announced her intention to resign from the Committee at the AGM. Brian Linden from the Bowls Club is happy to take over on the Committee and will attend the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting:

Hunton Village Club - Wednesday 9th May 2018

There being no further matters the formal part of the meeting ended at 9:30pm.