## **APPLETON WITH EATON PARISH COUNCIL**

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## Minutes of the Leisure and Recreation Committee of the Parish Council at the Village Hall Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 8:00 pm

Issued by Allison Leigh (Clerk)

**Present:** Mr John Adams (Chairman), Mrs Allison Leigh (Parish Clerk), Mrs Mary Carey, Mr Roger Gilkes, Mrs Sara Withers, Mr Neil Woodley

Also present: Mr Hjalmar Blomerus (Sportsfield Advisory Group)

	Description	Action/outcome
19/21	Apologies for absence	Mark Richards, Nicki Clarke
19/22	Declarations of Interest	None
19/23	Public questions and statements	No members of the public were present
19/24	Signing of the minutes: To authorise the signing of the minutes of the 20th May 2019 meeting as a true record	The minutes of the 20 <sup>th</sup> May meeting were signed with 2 minor edits.
19/25	Grants for the sports field: To discuss the status of grant from Oxfordshire County Council	A. Leigh noted she had sent in a grant application to Oxfordshire County Council. County Councillor Anda Fitzgerald-O'Connor has received it and indicated it should be ok. A. Leigh has followed up, but not heard back.
19/26	Paint and sealant: To discuss quotes for paint and sealant	Mr Blomerus noted he had a quote for £852 for paint. The committee asked if he could look at getting a price from a contractor to get a contractor's discount. The committee agreed to a cost in the realm of £852, but would like to see additional quotes.
19/27	Pavilion maintenance: To discuss quotes for replacing double doors	Quotes have been received from Rick Hopgood. Mr Blomerus raised the possibility of having solar panels at the sportsfield and applying for grants for

		them. A. Leigh will look into grants.
19/28	Replacement of Urn: To discuss costs for replacement urn	R. Gilkes reported he had purchased this.
19/29	Grass maintenance: To discuss update on cherry picker and digger for Sportsfield drainage	The committee agreed that the cherry picker is not necessary at the moment as the trees should be left for 6 months. It was noted that the grass has recovered well since the seeding and fertilising.
19/30	<b>Sportsfield sign:</b> To discuss possible locations for directional sign to Sportsfield	R. Gilkes to look into a sign to put on a telephone pole by the War Memorial.
19/31	Sportsfield heating: To discuss options and costs for Sportsfield heating	As in item 19/27 H. Blomerus received a quote for solar panels. He indicated there are grants that could be applied for the panels, windows and a heat pump. He noted that the heat pump will stop the oil usage, be more economical and provide a carbon neutral footprint. There would be no more boiler maintenance. This could yield a savings. It would also free up a lot of space in the tractor room. As in item 19/27, A. Leigh will research grants.  In the meantime, RG will order oil when needed.
19/32	<ul> <li>Jubilee Park:</li> <li>To discuss repair of zip wire and cost</li> <li>To discuss repair of other playground</li> </ul>	It was noted that quotes have been received of a widely varying amount. It was learned from the inspection report that the
	<ul> <li>equipment</li> <li>To discuss fundraising for equipment in Jubilee Park</li> </ul>	zip wire is manufactured by Proludic. The committee agreed to proceed with the quote from Proludic, but Sara will ask about the delivery cost.

		It was also discussed that the seat and chain were noted of possibly needing repair. Sara Withers will get a quote for this.  It was discussed that some parents wish to raise funds for a slide for toddlers. The committee is happy for the fundraising, but cautions the Jubilee Park group to look at the area in which this goes for safety reasons.
19/33	The bus parked in the sports field car park:  To discuss progress on bus parked in the  Sportsfield car park	It was noted that the date has passed by which James Mansfield was asked to move the bus. A. Leigh has received an e-mail from him noting that it will be removed, but it was not by the date listed in the letter sent. The committee discussed another letter and reviewed a draft. The committee agreed on a draft and A. Leigh will send this via registered mail and email.
19/34	Play inspections: To confirm play inspections schedule	The committee agreed to an annual inspection for the playground and sportsfield and 2 additional inspections for the playground. The playground inspections should be every 4 months.
19/35	<b>Matters arising:</b> To discuss any further matters arising from the meeting of the 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 not appearing elsewhere on the agenda	N. Woodley will speak to Rick Hopgood regarding the PAT testing.
19/36	Miscellaneous	If the bus has not been removed, this should be on the September agenda.  R. Gilkes noted there is an awning to be put up.
19/20	Date of next meeting: To confirm date of next meeting as the 16th September 2019	16 <sup>th</sup> September 2019 has been confirmed and will

			take place at the sportsfield.
Meeting closed at 9:05pr	n		
Chairman of the Leisure and Recreation Committee		Date	