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Minutes of the Leisure and Recreation Committee of the Parish Council at the Village Hall Monday, 17th January 2022 7:00 pm

Present: John Adams (JA), Roger Gilkes (RG), Mary Carey (MC), Colin McGuire (CM), Neil Woodley (NW), Nicki Clarke (NC), Alison Trinder (AT), Allison Leigh (AL) (Parish Clerk)

	Description	Action/outcome		
21/30	Apologies for absence	None		
21/31	Declarations of Interest	None		
21/32	Public questions and statements	No members of the public were in attendance.		
21/33	Signing of the minutes: To authorise the signing of the minutes of the 15 th November 2021 meeting as a true record.	 The minutes of the 15th November 2021 were approved and signed as a true record. The following were raised from the November meeting: JA has not had a chance to contact AH Cornish about the ploughing at Jubilee Park as of yet. The Committee discussed the Terms of Reference. AL reported that there is not requirement in the current Terms of Reference with regard to the number of members and number of Parish Councillors on the Committee. The Council may look to review this. AT would like to join the Committee. AL has contacted James Mansfield with regards to a representative from the Cubs and Scouts, but has not had a reply. The Committee asked for heating to be on the March agenda. MC reported the fitness equipment as been sold and the Committee thanked MC for her efforts on this. It was noted that no fencing is currently needed at the sportsfield 		
21/34	Grass Cutting: To discuss grass cutting quotes for 2022/2023	 The Committee resolved to proceed with Ady Podbery for the 2022/2023 grass cutting and maintenance of the sportsfield. RG asked AL to contact Ady Podbery quickly so the quote does not increase. It was noted there may not be a need for fertiliser and weeding. Seeding may be needed, but could be done by a working party. RG will keep an eye on this and advise the Committee of anything that needs doing. 		

21/35	Pavilion/Sportsfield: To discuss any matters arising with regards to the Pavilion and Sportsfield Bookings & invoicing Men's football team Sportsfield as possible venue for Jubilee weekend village events	 The issue of ditching at the sportsfield was raised, but there was no action required/no plan made at this time. The Committee resolved to proceed with BGG for the grass and hedge cutting at Jubilee Park. It was agreed that the current invoicing system shall remain: NW will invoice those using the sportsfield and cc AL. It was noted there may be a new football team using the sportsfield. The Committee is happy for the sportsfield to be used for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations in June, if required. 		
21/36	Jubilee Park: To discuss any matters arising with regards to Jubilee Park	 It was agreed that the Council's reserves may be used if the sleepers need addressing in 2022/2023. CM enquired as to the playground inspections. There is a concern that items that are high up aren't being professionally inspected due to The Play Inspection Company not inspecting that type of equipment. The Committee asked AL to confirm with the insurers what their requirements are. The Committee also asked AL to enquire as to whether The Play Inspection Company will inspect high equipment and, if not, to look into a company that will. The Committee discussed inspection sheets. AL indicated she believed one has been in circulation by the Friends of Jubilee Park. CM and RG will take a look at what type of sheet might work best if the current system for the park isn't working. The Committee asked AL to put a maintenance plan on the March agenda. 		
21/37	2022/2023 Budget: To review the 2022/2023 budget	 The issue of income for the sportsfield was discussed. It was noted that 2021/2022 was a difficult season for income. CM enquired as to the budget presentation for the playground. CM and AL will meet on the future spreadsheet for Jubilee Park. CM noted he does not expect the Friends of Jubilee Park to need to raise any funding until 2025/2026. AL will ask other councils about fees for the sports pitches. 		

21/38	Miscellaneous: To receive any matters for consideration at next Parish Council or L&R meeting	 It was noted that perhaps advertising of the Pavilion/sportsfield would be good. AL will write something and circulate it.
21/39	Date of next meeting: To confirm 21st March 2022 as the next meeting date with the location TBD.	The next meeting date will be on Monday the 21 st March 2022. The location is the Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm.		
Chairman of the Leisure and Recreation Committee	Date	