Hathersage Parish Council

**Recreation Committee**

Minutes of the Recreation Committee Meeting held at the Sampson Room on

15th March 2016

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| Present: | Councillors J. A. Marsden (chair); K. Love; H Rodgers; J. Wedgwood; P Mander |
| In Attendance | C M Wilkinson (Asst Clerk): D Graham; J Graham |
| 096/15 |  | Apologies for absence were received from S Clarke  |
| 097/15 |  | Item 8.2 table tennis table to be brought forward |
| 098/15 |  | There were no declarations of interest. |
| 099/15 |  | David & Julie Graham were attending to discuss the table tennis table. |
| 101/15 |  | There were no matters arising. |
| 102/15 |  | Table Tennis Table. David & Julie Graham presented the results of their extensive research into a suitable outdoor table tennis table. Concrete tables are very heavy, old fashioned and quotes were £2k - £3k plus £900 delivery. This type would need offload and lift into place, it is subject to chipping and is not considered vandal proof. A resin laminate topped, metal framed table is much more resilient. A quote of £1685 inc VAT, delivery and assembly has been obtained from Table-Tennis-Tables. This is for a Cornilleau table, which is the safest design, curved legs, rounded corners, accessible for wheelchair users, 10 year guarantee. The net is metal, and easily replaceable. It would sit on paving slabs, but it was felt wiser to install concrete pads as there is no information on the depth of the tarmac. The purchase is to be recommended to the full HPC for approval to order. Councillor Rodgers will contact Countryside Maintenance for a quote for the concrete pads. Users to supply their own bats & balls, with a small supply of bats for hire & balls to purchase available at the pool. Mike Wellington to be requested to obtain quotes for these. There was a discussion around the practicality of a booking system alongside that of the hard play area. The Chairman thanked David and Julie for their research and recommendations in this matter. |
| 103/15 |  | The minutes of the meeting of 19th January were approved and signed by the chair. |
| 104/15 |  | Hard Play Area  |
| 104/15 | 1. | Cllr Love has contacted the Parish Clerk at Kniveton regarding their recent MUGA surface installation. Cllr Marsden to organise a visit and confirm the Installation Company. Quotes have now been received from Abacus and Allcourts. The consensus was that Allcourts were the more professional and efficient of the 2 companies, albeit more expensive. |
|  | 2. | A decision on the Sports England Grant is expected on 23rd April. It was noted that there were a lot of applications. |
|  | 3. | Tickets and raffle tickets are now on sale for the fundraising event on 23rd April. A few prizes for auction and raffle have been received. Discussions are still in progress regarding a car washing day. |
| 105/15 |  | Playing Field |
| 105/15 | .1 | The Drainage is still satisfactory and working. Consideration was given to options of top dressing with soil, sand, peat as to which was appropriate and when. Hire of equipment to hollow tine is approx £35 per day plus £20 delivery/collect. Is this something the village caretaker could operate? Cllr Mander to discuss with Jonathon whether his mowers have rollers on them.  |
| 105/15 | 2. | Maintenance Specification/Contract for Playing Field. No information received from the RFO. A site meeting is to be arranged by Cllr Mander Page 1 of 2: Chair’s Initials ……………………………………….. Date: ……………………………….  |
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| 106/15 |  | Playground |
| 106/15 | .1 | Village Caretaker’s Playground Weekly Visual Inspection Reports. Concerns were raised regarding the wording "does it strike the ground" and which piece of equipment it relates to. Cllr Rodgers to arrange a meeting to review the Inspection Report form, making it clearer.  |
| 106/15 | 2 | Timberplay have completed the work to everyone's satisfaction. It was agreed that Timberplay should be asked to complete a detailed inspection every 10 years. |
| 107/15 |  | Finance. Nothing to report. |
| 108/15 |  | Bowling Green Gate. This item is now completed. Cllr Love had been approached by the Bowling Club for the padlock access code for the playing field top gate, and advised to discuss with the Village Caretaker. Notification to the Clerk is required.  |
| 109/15 |  | Memorial Bench. Diane Stephens has asked that the bench be sited in the playing field, however it was felt that there were a number of benches already. A suggestion was to place along Station Approach as elderly residents find it difficult to walk to the Doctors Surgery without resting The Assistant Clerk to contact Diane. |
| 110/15 |  | Skatepark. A local company called NoMow were installing artificial grass at the school. Cllr Love will contact for a quote for the skatepark area, and the goal mouthsThe next meeting will be 19th April 2016   |
|  |  | The Meeting closed at 20:45Page 2 of 2 Chair’s Signature ………………………………… Date:  |