

BRIXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

RECREATION & AMENITIES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 23 March 2010

Present: Cllr S Whiffen (Chair), Cllr B Chattaway

In Attendance: Ian Bandey (All Saints), John Howarth (Brixworth Juniors)

10/019r Apologies: Cllr I Barratt, Cllr A Gunnett, Cllr S Pointer & Cllr E Nunn

10/020r Quorum:

It was noted that the meeting was not quorate and the only business that could be carried out was the receiving of reports and referring of items to the next meeting or the full Parish Council.

10/021r Declarations of interest:

Cllr Whiffen declared a personal interest – lives adjacent to the Ashway Playing Field.

10/022r Approval and signing of the minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2010 will be agreed as an accurate record of that meeting and signed accordingly at the next meeting at which there is a quorum.

10/023r Matters arising from the minutes:

1. Ashway Playing Field – the chain harrowing has been carried out and sand spread in the goalmouth areas as needed.
2. St. David's Recreation Ground – the chain harrowing has been carried out and sand spread in the goalmouth areas as needed.
3. St. David's Recreation Ground – the grass cuttings have been removed.
4. St. David's Recreation Ground – the tree work has been carried out.
5. St. David's Recreation Ground – the hedges have been trimmed.
6. St. David's Recreation Ground – the Parish Council has agreed to the cricket club's use as in previous years.

Spratton Road Recreation Ground:

10/024r New Handrail to Footpath

It was reported that no further progress had been made.

Ashway Playing Field / Changing Rooms

10/025r Single Freestanding Goal Post

It was noted that, despite being anchored as securely as possible while retaining mobility, the goal post had been moved again by persons unknown and, regrettably, had now been removed for safety reasons.

10/026r Play Rangers Activity – Quad Bikes

It was noted that this popular activity is returning between 10am and 3pm on Monday 12 April 2010 and is free of charge to parishioners.

10/027r Community Safety Partnership Mobile Skate Park

It was noted that this facility is available to hire for a day or a weekend.

St. David's Recreation Ground

10/028r Central Sports Lease & Car Park

This item was carried forward to the next meeting.

10/029r Resurfacing Tennis Courts and Goal Area

It was noted that estimates for resurfacing the tennis courts range from £4,965.50 to £27,000, and estimates for a single goal range from £1,700 to £7,908.

10/030r Repairs to Play Area

It was noted that estimates for repairs to the mound slide range from £1,530 to £2,670, and estimates for repairs to the ground tiles around the cockerel bounce and rocking horse range from £450 to £3,650.

10/031r Junior Football Club Fun Day

It was noted that this will take place on Sunday 23 May and the club will complete and return the special event form to the Parish Clerk at the earliest opportunity.

10/032r BMX/Skate Facility

Cllr Whiffen reported with regret that, having considered the legal advice, which it had received; the Parish Council was not proceeding with this project.

10/033r Annual ROSPA Inspection of Play Ground Equipment

It was noted that approval would now be sought at the next meeting in May.

10/034r Any other business

- a) Changing Rooms – it was noted that British Gas will be installing an electricity smart meter in the plant room.
- b) Appropriate Behaviour – it was noted that a member of the public had complained about inappropriate language being used by the players and supporters at a match between Brixworth All Saints Football Club and Roade on 27 February. Ian Bandey confirmed the details of the incident, the actions taken by the club to respond to the incident on the day and the FA's advice that it was not seeking to take any action. Ian will provide the Parish Clerk with a copy of the relevant correspondence.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday 11 May 2010