

**BRAMDEAN & HINTON AMPNER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015**

1. Apologies for absence

Tony Harding, Anne Newson.

2. Disclosure of interests

None.

3. Public Session

No members of the public were present.

4. Approval of minutes of Recreation Committee – 20<sup>th</sup> May and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015

The minutes of the last two minutes were approved and signed.

6. Matters reviewed from minutes of Recreation Committee meeting – 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015

The Parish Council had referred concerns that WCC had rented a vacant garage to a person in Alresford rather than to a resident of the Close to Cllr Thacker.

7. Accounts

The HPFA grant of £500 had been received. No expenditure since last meeting.

8. Review of play area, etc

Kashy Hawkings said the whole area looked very impressive and thanked Adrian Taylor for all his hard work. Playdale Playgrounds had replaced the left hand cradle swing seat (under guarantee to October 2015), replaced the rotten upright timber on The Twist (under guarantee) and The Twist nets and fixings for £1089.30 + VAT funded by HPFA (£500), Friends of Bramdean Children (£200) and Parish Council (£389.30 shortfall). Letters of thanks had been sent to John Coney (HPFA) and to Dawn Durham (Friends of Bramdean Children)

It was understood from Tony Harding that the work on adjustments to the hard court perimeter fence was in progress.

Tony Harding had inspected the three wooden gates on site. The large 5 bar main gate was quite weak and twisted, in poor condition. The small gate (right of main gate) and the gate leading to the footpath were in reasonable condition. Tony Harding queried the purpose of the gates. The main gate could be closed to prevent overnight parking. The small gates tended to be open (difficult for horse riders to pass when closed). Adrian Taylor said the main gate was closed (not locked) at present. This summer, some young men (possibly from Alresford) had regularly played football on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Glass bottles had been left on the ground. As it would soon be too dark to play at night, the police would be asked to visit next spring. It was agreed to keep the main gate closed, to obtain two quotes for a replacement and to apply for a County Councillor's Devolved Grant.

Adrian Taylor would replace some of the timber planks on the Play Hut.

9. Health and Safety

Adrian Taylor reported that the Velcro strips held the nets to the top bar of the goalposts satisfactorily.

10. Items to be considered for next agenda

Replacement of main gate

11. Date of next meeting

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

KH/RG