

BRAMDEAN & HINTON AMPNER PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 22ND OCTOBER 2012

1. Apologies for absence

None.

2. Public Session

No members of the public were present.

3. Approval of minutes of Recreation Committee meeting – 16th July 2012

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters reviewed from minutes of Recreation Committee meeting – 16th July 2012

Anne Newson would request the sum of £300 from the Diamond Jubilee surplus to fund the timber barriers around the new cradle swings.

The Parish Council awaited the outcome of WCC's investigation into car congestion at Woodlane Close and parking on the land opposite the Jubilee Recreation Ground.

It was suggested that the commemorative plaque to record that The Queen's Diamond Jubilee was celebrated at the Recreation Ground on 4th June 2012 be sited on the boundary fence.

5. Accounts

Due to a longer growing season and higher fuel prices, it was necessary top-up the Bramdean Garage fuel account by £21 (for three additional cuts). It was likely that the balance (currently £60) would need increasing for 2013. Technix had been paid £414 (inc VAT) for safety matting. Playdale Playgrounds would receive £2780.40 (inc VAT) for the cradle swings and barriers. Grants awaited: £300 (Open Space Fund); £500 (pending HPFA site inspection once the safety matting was laid).

Although the Lazer mower was still working well, due to its age (purchased second hand in 1985) and the difficulty in obtaining spare parts, it was time to consider a replacement and the Parish Council would be asked to make budget provision accordingly. Tony Harding would enquire at reputable second hand outlets in case a good used machine became available during the winter. The possibility of an application to Cllr Hindson's devolved budget was also discussed.

6. Review of play area, etc

Playdale had installed the cradle swings on 1st October. The safety matting was delivered on 4th October. Thanks were due to Tony Harding, Tim Laker and Adrian Taylor for all their work preparing the site prior to installation. Arrangements would be made to lay the safety matting. No topsoil was needed. On 1st October, Playdale agreed that the rotten timber upright on the monkey bars was covered by guarantee and would be replaced gratis shortly. Rachael Greenwood would press for this work to be done as soon as possible.

Stuart Dunbar Dempsey (WCC) had confirmed that the Bramdean sport pot (currently £811.30) could be used to resurface the hard court or build a practice wall and that the funding would remain available after the present arrangements ceased in 2016. The Committee noted that the

pot might increase further if houses were built on the former Humphreys' Farm site before the 2016 deadline.

7. Tennis coaching 23rd - 27th July 2012

Another successful course: 19 children, including 9 from 4 families who had not participated before. The parents were most appreciative of the coach, Adam Goble, who sadly had to cancel the last day due to illness. Letters of thanks had been sent to Blake's Educational Charity for meeting the cost (£228) and to Victoria Wakefield for use of the court at Bramdean House.

8. Items to be considered for next agenda

None tabled.

9. Date of next meeting (provisional)

Monday 21st January 2013 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

TL/RG