

BRAMDEAN & HINTON AMPNER PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 18TH JULY 2016

1. Election of Chairman

Kashy Hawkings would continue as Chairman for the coming year.

2. Apologies for absence

Graham Budd, Anne Newson

3. Disclosure of interests

None.

4. Public Session

No members of the public were present.

5. Approval of minutes of Recreation Committee – 23rd May 2016

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed.

6. Matters reviewed from minutes of Recreation Committee meeting – 23rd May 2016

Adrian Taylor was in the process of replacing some of the timber planks on the Play Hut. The honeysuckle and shrubs behind the Tractor Shed had been cut back.

Adrian Taylor was thanked for kindly cutting back the hedges along FP503/504 to the A272. Rachael Greenwood would write to thank Paul Taylor. There had been no dog fouling along the path lately.

Adrian Taylor confirmed that the young men still visited the hard court to play football, drink alcohol and leave rubbish (last visit Saturday 16th- Sunday 17th July). Rachael Greenwood would ask the Police to visit the Jubilee Recreation Ground one weekend when they were next in the area.

Barbara Holyome had received a copy of the safety inspection report prior to The Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations at the Jubilee Recreation Ground (event cancelled).

On 8th July, Rachael Greenwood met Peter Payne and Stuart Friend regarding replacing the 5 bar main gate, the gate posts (necessary) and repairing the hard court perimeter fence if the work could not be done in-house. It was noted that treated softwood could be a better option than green oak if it was occasionally treated with preservative. Both gate posts should be replaced (preferably in green oak). The existing hanging post was too short to bear the weight of the gate; the replacement should be 7 x 7 to prevent the gate dropping in future. The green wire mesh would be replaced but it was hoped to salvage the gate fixings. The top wire behind both goals had broken: it should be replaced and tensioned as tight as possible. The estimates would be circulated for comment and recommendation for Matthew Morton to approve the expenditure. An application would be made to Cllr Huxstep's devolved budget.

Peter Payne had noted that the tree closest to the bench behind the lower goal post was probably in need of felling. The whole planting needed pruning and thinning. Adrian Taylor and Tony Harding hope to undertake this.

7. Accounts

There has been no expenditure since the last meeting. It was agreed that Tony Harding would arrange for D J Scott to service the Toro tractor mower.

8. Review of play area, etc

Notes by Kashy Hawkings and Rachael Greenwood on the Play Inspection Company annual inspection report were considered (revised copy to be circulated). A response was awaited from Playdale in answer to points raised on equipment installed by that company (to be circulated). The inspection report and response from Playdale would be posted on the parish website.

9. Health and Safety

Adrian Taylor would purchase Velcro strips or rubber tree ties to secure the goal nets to the cross bars.

10. Items to be considered for next agenda

None.

11. Date of next meeting

Monday 17th October 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

KH/RG