



Titchmarsh Playing Field Association

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Minutes of Committee Meeting 1st Nov 2007

Those present: Gina Gaskin [Chair] Rob Jones Paul Milner Mel Chapman Derek Ellis Mark Noakes Dave Walpole Richard Roe
Apologies: Caroline Thompson Ian Curtis Shirley Curtis
Cc: Emma Meen Sylvia Prestwich Phil Garnham

ACTION

- 1 Minutes of previous meeting**
- 1.1 Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed. Proposed GG; seconded RJ

- 2 Matters arising**
- 2.1 **Footpaths:** Thanks to Pete Dorrington for clearing footpath. Note to be put in TT MC
- 2.2 The toddler swing cost is very high, Cost from Wicksteed range from £880-£1065 exc fitting. Suggested to review Awards for all scheme and write to PreSchool for a suggestion of a contribution. RJ
- 2.3 Cycle Track, mounds now installed and in general use
- 2.4 Still need to reduce the wall behind the changing rooms to 4 courses of bricks
- 3 Finances**
- 3.1 Suggestion that due to Treasurers work commitments there should be a float available of up to £100 through the Chairperson to cover small costs that committee members undertake at their own expense.
Invoice to be raised for Thrapston Juniors to cover season training rather than a monthly invoice at the request of Thrapston Football Coaches RR
- 3.2 New account signatories to be set up of GG, IC and RR, RR
- 3.3 Two cheques to be held with signature of treasurer by Chairperson for any large outlays over £100 that needs instant payment that has previously been authorised by the committee GG\RR

Payments made to DE £21 / MC £64

The Treasurer indicated that he would look to step down from the position due to current work commitments.

- 4 Correspondence**
- 4.1 A letter of thanks came from Emma Cooper following a birthday presentation to her at the Street Challenge Quiz

5 Health & Safety

- 5.1 No reported problems on equipment this month
- 5.2 RJ to undertake H&S report for November.

DW

6 Fundraising

6.1 Christmas lights

- The committee would like to thank David Walpole for arranging and collecting the lights for this years Christmas Tree
- Tree to be erected 15/12 at 10:00am all help gratefully requested

- 6.2 **Road Race:** - unfortunately through work commitments Richard Roe is unable to commit to the levels he has in previous years and therefore is looking for someone else to take on the commitment of the Race. The committee is struggling through various commitments and it was suggested that an approach for assistance was made to Sylvia Prestwich.

GG

- 6.3 No other events were discussed at this meeting

7 Developments

- 7.1
 - The ITT is still waiting to be issued and a decision was made to put forward to planning that we would use Tradesman Light brick and Redland Roof Tile 43

RR was asked to set up new account for the pavilion project in the name of Titchmarsh Playing Field Pavilion.

Now that we have the grant form the Football Foundation, there is an urgent need to ensure the action is taken on the various elements of the Development Plan. All members to report back at the next meeting on the progress of the sections for which they have oversight. This did not happen in detail and needs to be covered at next meeting

all

8.0 Pitches: condition and proposals for improvement

- Much of the damage is being caused by rabbits and now moles. Arrangements are in hand to eradicate them as far as is possible. Contact to be made to John Moorcroft

RJ

8.1 Provision of Junior Goals.

This was discussed and the cost was felt to be in excess of £500

9 **Titchmarsh Times**

MC to put forward this months article for Titchmarsh Times, to cover Pavilion update, encourage more spectators at Football games on a weekend, discuss vacancy on the committee for a new member possibly another female member.

MC

10. **AOB**

Discussion around the committee meeting venue to be moved from Club Room. Suggestion was made to move to Wheatsheaf a vote taken and this was a hung vote. Therefore it was decided to try moving to the Wheatsheaf for the next few meetings. However these meetings will have to be well structured.

Next Meeting Wheatsheaf Pub Thursday 6 December at 7.30pm followed by
Christmas Meal

Subsequent meeting 3rd January at Wheatsheaf 7.30 pm