

Titchmarsh Playing Field Association

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

10th September 2009

Those present: Gina Gaskin [Chair] Mel Chapman Mark Noakes Debbie Stevenson Antar
 Howarth Simon Beer Ian Curtis Simon Beer Natalie Beer Derek Ellis
 Apologies: Rob Jones Richard Hughes
 CC: Emma Meen Sylvia Prestwich Phil Garnham

Action

1 **Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

2 **Matters arising**

Gina has spoken with Howard RE the grass cutting and it has been agreed that he will do all areas once and then give us a price. We will see where we go from there.

3 **Financial Update**

MC reported balances as follows- Tracker: £5653.29; Number 1: £1775.23; Number 2: £2815.92.

Bookings-no further bookings at time of meeting.

Payments to be made

DS-£70 for pavilion license.

IC paid J Hunters £137.60 for the slabs. IC would like to close account 2 and transfer to tracker account. IC

Michelle has requested funds to buy some new cleaning equipment, mainly a new mop and bucket. All agreed.

GG requested permission to buy boxes to store the tables cloths in, all agreed. GG

MC informed comitte that a claim has been made (and paid by us £162.85) for damage done to car belonging to a parent of a child at football training. The damage was done when a ball was kicked by a member of The Fox team. MC and GG decided it was less hassle to pay up. However in future we will look into erecting signs within the car park area and also look into permanant high netting. IC to look into the cost of signs/netting IC

GG bouth up an email regarding the rounders team and their weekly pitch payments. They do not have enough funds to pay the £10 per week for the season just gone. GG informed the committee that she had not told the team about the pay increase last year. It was decided that they will pay £5 per week for the season just gone and next year it will rise to £10. DS to email the team DS

GG has spoken with the council with regard the directional signage for the playing fields. Possibly going to cost £300-£400 for a sign on the grassed area opposite the entrance of drydens/park road. MC/AH to look into cheaper alternatives MC/AH

4 **Correspondence**

DS had received the bill for £70 from ENC for the pavilion license and also a letter from Kohler regarding services of the showers. It was decided that we would not take out a service contract with them but that the shower valves in the refs rooms need looking at as the showers do not work.

5 **Fund raising**

5.1 It was decided that we do not need to partake in any further fundraising events, other than those we already do.

- 6 **Developments.**
- 6.1 **Improvements to play area.**
- DS awaiting news on funding
- Pavilion**
- Bookings are low and its been decided to actively market the pavilion and its facilities. AH to arrange a meeting with Ian regarding setting up inside shots and arranging a possible family portrait day AH
- Heating**
- 6.2 Supplementary heating Is required and IC to look into possibility of getting an eco grant. Gina to bring up some oil filled radiators to see how they cope at next meeting IC/GG
- 7 **Pitches**
- IC requires more quotes for the work. We have unfortunately missed the 2nd Sept deadline and are now looking at a 20th Nov deadline, however this means we will not find out if we are successful until March 2010 which leaves little time to arrange levelling the top pitch. IC has received letters of support from Thrapston Juniors and Titchmarsh FC. IC
 - Gina Gaskin and Ian Curtis were authorised to act on behalf of the committee to persue funding. IC/GG
 - Grass on new youth training pitch is starting to grow. MC has yet to receive a bill for this work.
 - MC informed the committee that there is a lot of rubbish down the bottom of the pitch and a working party is to be organised to help clear it. MC
- 8 **Health and Safety**
- 8.1
- No issues other then the boundary fence which Debbie is trying to get in contact with Spire Homes about. Possibly ask them to remove fence and we will look at putting grass mound there instead. DS
- 9 **Management Group**
- Has not met for a while. It was decided that they should meet every other month.
- 10 **AOB**
- 10.1 Antar and Mel to discuss website and photographer with possibility of mocking up a few pictures for advertising purposes. AH/MC
- 10.2 Ian still has the woodchips and requires some help in relocating to under the swings. This requires use of a trailer. Mel to discuss. MC
MC to put in winning team in the Titchmarsh Times and also to remind village of the pavilion facilities and an update on the pitches MC

Next meeting: Thursday 8th October 8.00pm at the pavillion.