OLDBURY ON SEVERN PARISH COUNCIL
PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 2nd July 2020 at 7.30pm,
The Pavilion, Westmarsh Lane, Oldbury-on-Severn
and Zoom meeting ID: 852 4078 6939

PRESENT

Committee Members: Chris Fairhead, Charlie Keedwell, Ian Knapp (Chairperson), Emma Pattullo (via telephone), Mike Pheysey (Secretary), Glynn Poole, Gerald Porter, Cllr. Keith Sullivan (via telephone) and Denise Young.

16/20 To accept Apologies for absence

Matt Clothier.

17/20 To Receive Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None.

18/20 Public Forum

None.

19/20 Approval of the previous minutes

The committee minutes of the 9th January 2020 were approved by the committee and signed by the chairman. Ian Knapp proposed, Cllr. Denise Young seconded, all agreed.

20/20 Determine whether or not to hold an AGM this year or carry appointments forward to April 2021

Under the Coronavirus Act 2020, council appointments usually made at the annual meeting can, if councils wish, be carried forward to 2021. Committee needs to decide whether to use the same principle to allow officer roles to continue, if those currently in place are willing to do so.

After the current officers of the committee agreed that they were prepared to continue their roles, the committee unanimously agreed to take advantage of the Coronavirus Act 2020 and postpone the AGM until April 2021. Proposed Ian Knapp, seconded Mike Pheysey, all agreed.

21/20 Discuss reopening some of the Playing Fields facilities and determine actions required

It was felt by the committee that we didn't have the resources to take on the responsibility to police the use of, and keep clean, the children's play equipment. There was much discussion whether or not to keep it shut, and it was felt that if anyone did use it then it would be at their own risk.

It was also recommended that the MUGA should be locked open, 8am – 7pm.

The need to proper signage was discussed, covering; hours, user responsibilities, equipment not being sanitised. Ian Knapp said that he would see what he could arrange signage-wise and Emma Pattullo said that she had some recommended wording from South Glos. that she would pass on to Ian.

To facilitate socially distanced activities the committee felt that the MUGA's football goals should be moved to the lower field and the tennis nets put up in the MUGA.

A working party was arranged for 7:30pm Thursday 9th July.

All of the above was proposed by Mike Pheysey, seconded Chris Fairhead, agreed by all.

22/20 Maintenance

Grass Cutting

Complete Weed Control has visited the Playing Fields at least twice this year and Emma Pattullo has continued with the current arrangement given the situation. The committee agreed with this approach.

Old oil tank etc.

Ian Knapp said that he would put the old oil tank, heater, and air hockey on eBay for the committee. ***Action Ian Knapp***

Other

Denise Young drew the committee's attention to the water staining on the celing of the pavilion. Ian Knapp said he would investigate and fix if straightforward. ***Action Ian Knapp***

23/20 Busy Bees

Denise Young suggested that the pavilion could do with decorating which the committee agreed. Ian Knapp suggested a working party one weekend during the summer and Denise Young said that she would consult with the rest of Busy Bees and pick a date and tell the committee. ***Action Denise Young***

Denise Young asked if another toilet could be installed as there seemed to plenty of plumbing to tap in to. Ian Knapp said that he would investigate. ***Action Ian Knapp***

24/20 Financial Summary

Emma Pattullo stated that there is no financial assistance for the Playing Fields Committee as it's maintained by the parish precept.

Busy Bees rebate

Denise Young said that Busy Bees were happy to not to receive a rebate for the period of closure.

Cricket Club utility bill

Charlie Keedwell said that the Cricket Club's utility bill should be forwarded to Bill Pearce.

Waste Collection

Commercially sized four wheeled bins would be between £300 and £400 for a fortnightly collection, whereas a single "wheelie bin" would be approximately £300. Cllr Keith Sullivan said he would investigate if other channels are available. ***Action Cllr Keith Sullivan***

Rates for facilities hire

Mike Pheysey said he would draw up a list of facilities / users. ***Action Mike Pheysey***

25/20 Any Other Business

Cllr Keith Sullivan drew the attention of the committee to the notice board by main gate and that a lot of the information is out of date. Denise Young said that she would renew the notices. ***Action Denise Young***

26/20 Close of meeting

The secretary confirmed that the next meeting will be at 7:30pm on Thursday 1st October 2020. The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Signed by Chairperson: _____