

# SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: RECREATION & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE  
Meeting commenced 7.30pm

21 June 2016

**PRESENT:** Chairman: K Cuffley

Clerk: Mrs J F Keeler

Councillors

Dr D R Bard

R J Grayston

C Groves

Ms B Laxton

W N Reid

R M Richmond

Head Groundsman : Mr A R Poole  
Sawston & Babraham  
Cricket Club : Mrs I Reeves

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor M J R Mallows – work commitments

Mr Colin English – Sawston Rock FC

## 2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None

## 3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17 May 2016 were read, confirmed and signed.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor W N Reid and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to **ACCEPT** these minutes.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## 4 MATTERS ARISING – NEW INFORMATION ONLY

None

## 5 SPORTS CLUB MATTERS

None

## 6 GROUNDSMAN'S ISSUES

None

## 7 PAVILIONS & GROUNDS

**Spicers** – None

**Mill Lane** – The Clerk confirmed that the pavilion floor is being laid this week and it will then be back up and running following the recent flood.

**Lynton Way** – The Clerk explained that the repair work at the pavilion has been completed following the recent fire.

## **8 ADDITIONAL DEFIBRILLATORS**

The Clerk explained that the Parish Council has budgeted for two new defibrillators in the village. The quote from the Company that the previous defibrillators were purchased from is £3,990.00 plus £50 carriage for two defibrillators and two external cases.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to install one defibrillator at Lynton Way Pavilion and the other at Mill Lane Pavilion.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **9 SAWSTON UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB SIGN REQUEST**

Sawston United Football Club have requested permission to put up a sign reading 'Home of Sawston United Football Club' at the entrance to Spicers Sports Ground.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond that Sawston United Football Club have a sign the same size as the Cricket Club sign and this is attached over the top of the Cricket Club sign only during the football season.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **10 RECYCLING BIN AT SPICERS**

The Clerk asked the meeting to consider whether there should be a recycling bin for plastic and glass at Spicers Sports Ground especially as the Pavilion has a bar. South Cambridgeshire District Council have quoted £12.50 per pick up for an 1100 litre bin with no initial cost for the bin.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to arrange for a plastic and glass recycling bin to be placed at Spicers Sports Ground to be collected monthly during the football season and fortnightly during the cricket season at a total cost of £225.00 per year.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **11 PAINTING AT SPICERS PAVILION**

The Clerk recommended that Spicers Pavilion is painted inside and out as it is beginning to look shabby. The three quotations for painting the main hall, kitchen, toilets, hallway and all the external posts and rails are as follows:

£2,700.00

£2,815.00

£4,295.00

The Clerk confirmed there was money remaining in the Spicers account following the build that could be used for this purpose.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Ms B Laxton and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to accept the quotation for £2,815 as this Company has provided good quality work to the Parish Council previously.

## **12 VILLAGE FETE**

Mr A R Poole, Head Groundsman explained that there was little damage and rubbish at Spicers Sports Ground following this year's village fete however oil spills occurred where generators were placed on the grounds and this took time and money to rectify. Mr A R Poole requested that generators are either not allowed on the site or they are placed on trays to prevent oil spillages on the ground.

This was discussed and agreed to put on the agenda for the next Recreation meeting in September. Mr A R Poole and the Village Fete Committee will create a list of rules.

Mr A R Poole also reported that approximately 25 open bags of rubbish were left in the middle of the football pitch after the fete. The Clerk will write to the football club explaining that this is not acceptable and must not happen again.

The Parish Council also has concerns about vehicles entering the Sports Ground when young children are playing football.

## **13 REVIEW SPORTS AGREEMENTS**

The Parish Council has received a request from a football club to change the invoicing process. Currently clubs are charged twice a year for games shown on their fixture lists in advance. If any games are not played the Parish Council deducts the overpayment from the next season's fees.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid to keep the invoicing process as it is.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

The meeting discussed whether the fees for sports clubs should be increased as the last increase was in 2014. Mr A R Poole, Head Groundsman explained that the adult football clubs get two free friendlies each season even though they involve the same amount of work as a normal match. Mr Poole also pointed out that the Cricket Club has to pay for their friendlies.

This was discussed and it was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Ms B Laxton and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to charge 11 a-side clubs for friendlies with immediate effect and to leave other fees unchanged.

**VOTE: 7 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **14 CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **15 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING – CONCERNING RECREATION & OPEN SPACES ONLY.**

None

**Meeting closed 8.45pm**