

Minutes of the Collyweston Playing Field Association Annual Trustee Meeting held on 24th July 2014

PRESENT: -

Cllr. Shelagh Busby	Trustee & Committee Chairman
Cllr. Linda Byrne	Trustee
Cllr. Kay Musgrove	Trustee
Mr Ray Wrynn	Committee member
Mrs Gemma Barr	Committee member
Mrs Jo Hemingway	Parish Clerk/Committee member

Item 01. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Fiona Cowan.

Item 02. TO ELECT A TRUSTEE CHAIRMAN

It was Resolved that Cllr Shelagh Busby be Trustee Chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Musgrove. Seconded by Ray Wrynn. All agreed.

Item 03. TO ELECT A TRUSTEE VICE CHAIRMAN

It was Resolved that Cllr Musgrove be Trustee Vice Chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Byrne. Seconded Cllr Busby. All agreed.

Item 04. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting on 10th July 2013 were approved and signed as correct.

Proposed Cllr Byrne. Seconded Cllr Musgrove. All agreed.

Item 05 MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES ONLY

1. Awards for All grant has all been spent and signed off.
2. Peoples Millions and East Northamptonshire Community fund grant applications were turned down.

Item 06. REPORT TO TRUSTEE BY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Chairman's report by Cllr Busby

There has been little work done this year as regards to fundraising events, we had the usual Christmas Raffle & Fun Quiz held at the Collyweston Slater, this was well attended and raised a fair amount towards the next stage of the development. Tis will be the car park and clubhouse building that will mean a very big fundraising effort, but we are committed to completing the full building program that we have planning permission for.

The Sponsor a Brick scheme has had a little amount donated, but we will need to push this a little harder.

The grant gathering takes a lot of time and with so few committee members I don't know how this will be achieved, it is unfair to expect Jo to do all this work as before. The lack of people on the committee means we are not able to do major events as in the past, we had hoped to hold an open day to show the community where we go from here, but without willing helpers this has proved impossible.

We have had to introduce a "Dogs on Leads" policy because of one or two incidents, but this does not seem to be working. Some people have been asked to obey the signs, but seem to think the notice does not apply to them.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

The grass etc. is being cut by Pter Garner, but this may not carry on as he has been upset by various incidents and is unhappy about inconsiderate people.

There will be a need to trim the hedge around the Pocket Park this autumn for which I will be calling for fit volunteers. The Les Jupp memorial bench finally fell apart and has temporarily been replaced by the Jubilee bench.

I am sorry that this report seems to be very negative, but this is the true situation. The facilities are still being well used and apart from one or two minor hitches mainly with adults who should know better, there are any day to day problems.

I do a weekly risk assessment of the play equipment, but have not had to record defects, except to say there are still some of the climbing frame handholds still loose.

Now – once more I have to appeal for more committee members, two of our numbers have left the area, so we really do not have enough people to go ahead with any major fundraisers.

Thanks to the remaining committee and to all the people that support us.

Cllr Musgrove has volunteered to join the Committee.

Item 07. FINANCIAL REPORT BY TREASURER

1. Year End Accounts –

Total Receipts = £756.11p; Total payments = £210.00

Net receipts for this year = £546.11p

Balance brought forward at 1st April 2013 = £10,412.67p

Balance carried forward at 31st March 2014 is now £10,958.78p.

2. Christmas Fundraiser – this made a net profit of £253.00 (slightly more than last year)

Item 08 LOCAL ISSUES AT PLAYING FIELD

- a) The surface of the MUGA has weeds growing. Cllr Busby will inspect more closely to see if it is due to surface dirt, or if they are growing through the surface. To be discussed at the next Committee meeting.
- b) Safety surface under aerial slide – someone has used weedkiller in this area, this is not allowed as it can have an adverse effect on the pocket park's county rarity plants. An article will be put in the magazine asking people not to do anything at the playing field without contacting the Chairman or secretary first.

Item 09 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs Hemingway asked the Trustees to consider paying for someone to help with the charities fundraising organisation side, as she is finding it difficult to do this, run the Charity and find grants alongside her other work. Cllr Musgrove stated that she could help by doing the Committee meeting minutes and running the Facebook and Twitter sites as well.

Item 10 NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

This will be on Wednesday 20th August in the Collyweston Slater at 8.00pm.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at
8.34pm

Signed: _____

Date: _____