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RECREATION COMMITTEE

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE
NEXT MEETING ON 5th NOVEMBER 2012**

**AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE
TOOK PLACE AT 8.00 PM IN THE HASKELL CENTRE, MIDHURST ROAD,
LIPHOOK ON WEDNESDAY 26th SEPTEMBER 2012**

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr P Robinson
Cllr P Jordan
Cllr J Poole

48/12 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The chairman raised two issues.

As the committee had only three councillors present, a number of items would be deferred until the meeting on 5th November so that a fuller attended committee could consider them.

The chairman explained that following discussion with Mrs Walters, it was proposed that the memorial seat should be sited in Fletchers Field following the removal of the existing damaged fence. The cost of the removal would be met by the Council as repair or removal of the existing seat will be a cost to the Council anyway.

Approval to place a seat on parish land in remembrance of past Councillor Jim Walters had already been given.

Proposed Cllr Jordan, Seconded Cllr Robinson. Unanimously Approved.

49/12 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr B Mouland, Cllr A James, Cllr J Tough, Cllr R Evans

50/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The declaration was read out by the Chairman. No interests were declared.

Meeting Adjourned

51/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Public Questions – Items not on the agenda

None

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Mr Rudgard asked why the agenda was not available until late which had caused the football team not be represented at the meeting. The clerk explained that the agenda was on the notice board and had been put on the website, but due to technical difficulties the Parish website was not showing all agendas and minutes. This was not known to the parish staff and apologies are given. The problem is being fixed.

Other questions will be allowed as the item is heard.

Meeting Reconvened

52/12 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th August 2012.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Jordan - Unanimously Approved

53/12 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

41/12 – Outcome of the annual visit.

Mr Fatcher asked why the drainage at the allotments had not been discussed even though it was on the agenda. It was agreed that this was an oversight. At the visit it had been decided to seek expert advice which may be available from EHDC. The matter will be pursued for the next meeting.

54/12 REPORTS

Mr Rudgard gave his report on sports provision in the area.

Football club – The 1st team had done well to win the Hampshire Premier League and Cup. The main pitch in the rec is in very good condition as are the two junior ones. Alternatives for the club such as at Bohunt Manor need pursuing.

Bowling Club – Noted that there was still some problems of rubbish being thrown over the fence. This may be resolved when the youth shelter is removed and if the skate part is redeveloped.

Cricket Club – The club will be applying for grants to improve the club house at their Ripsley ground. They are still interested in a move back to Bohunt Manor or another Liphook site away from Stedham should the facilities and cost be suitable.

Bohunt School – Facilities being well used. The sports hall has been refurbished with repainting and a new floor. Mr Fatcher raised the question as to why there are no cricket

pitches at this site.

Now that the school is an academy, funding arrangements from local authorities had changed and possible attitude to the concept of a Community Centre also. Such changes need to be understood and it was concluded that the Parish Council should be part of that process. It was noted that the Deputy Clerk was looking into this.

It was noted that representatives from the area had secured two silver and a bronze medal at the Paralympics. Olivia Breen from Bohunt School had secured a bronze medal. The Council had marked this with a £50 donation to the school for sports development.

Mr Rudgard felt a working group should be established to see what facilities and needs the clubs have. Also it was suggested that the clubs should be surveyed with a questionnaire. The Council will give this further consideration. It was also agreed that the Council should keep an up listing of sport club representatives as these often change.

Thanks were expressed to Mr Rudgard for his usual thorough report.

55/12 BUDGET MONITORING & REPORTING

Item Deferred

56/12 REVIEW OF GRASS CUTTING IN THE AREA

Item deferred to next meeting. It was noted that an audit of the cutting in the area was currently underway.

57/12 JOHN LAWSON CIRCUS

It was noted that no circuses had visited last year as no final decision had been taken on the applications received. Following discussion, it was agreed that the application be agreed in principle. The Clerk was requested to ascertain if animals were used by the circus and if so to refer back to the Chairman. The charge should be last year's rates plus CPI inflation.

Unanimously approved.

58/12 LIPHOOK CARNIVAL & BONFIRE

Consideration was given to the use of the Village Green from 23-30 October, Radford Park on 27 October, and the Parish Council's recreation vehicle to tow the Carnival Queen float for the Liphook Carnival & Bonfire 2012. This was agreed subject to signing the usual agreements.

Proposed Cllr Robinson, Seconded Cllr Poole. Unanimously Approved.

59/12 DONATION OF A BENCH BY SOUTH DOWNS GOSPEL HALL TRUST

Item deferred to next meeting

60/12 RADFORD PARK IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Item deferred to next meeting.

61/12 ALLOTMENTS

Councillors considered a report prepared by the Deputy Clerk Gabrielle Ring and Anne Haussauer, the allotments representative, concerning changes to the allocation of newly available allotments and some aspects of the tenancy agreements.

The chairman explained the proposal, which was to split up to 10 half plots as and when they become available into quarter plots. This would only apply to suitably accessible plots. This was still regarded as of sufficient size to grow vegetables for a family. Every other plot accessible plot would be split as they become available to ensure a mix. There would need to be changes to the tenancy agreement. Some plots would not be suitable for sub division and these had been identified. Mr Futcher recommended that these should include the allotments at the top end where no vehicular access was possible. Cllr Jordan thank the authors of the report for their thorough report and clear recommendations which were all proposed.

Proposed Cllr Jordan, Seconded Cllr Robinson. Unanimously Approved.

It was requested that the decision be posted on the allotment notice board. It was also felt that a formal committee of plot holders would enhance the fullness of communication and interface between plot holders and the Council.

62/12 SITING OF STORAGE FOR GOAL POSTS

Cllr Robinson reported that the football club had investigated the use of a crane to lift in the storage container but it was clear this was not a practical solution. The club were keen to continue to explore where a storage container could be placed. It was noted that the old equipment outside the workshop was due to be cleared shortly and a skip would then be used to clear the rubbish and cuttings. At this point it may be possible to use this area for the store.

It was agreed that Cllr Robinson would produce a motion for the next meeting on the siting of the storage unit, subject to the usual caveats. A site meeting with the Head Grounds man and the clerk to ensure their support should also be arranged before the next meeting

45/12 EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Not needed as minutes and matters arising of the excluded session dealt with under item 52/12 & 53/12 above

Meeting Concluded 9.15