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RECREATION COMMITTEE

**THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES AND ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE
NEXT MEETING**

**A MEETING OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE TOOK PLACE AT 7.30
PM IN THE HASKELL CENTRE, MIDHURST ROAD, LIPHOOK ON
MONDAY 20th APRIL 2015**

DRAFT MINUTES

PRESENT:

Cllr P Robinson - Chairman
Cllr J Kirby
Cllr J Poole
Cllr J Ives
Cllr P Jordan
Miss A Spencer - Administration Officer

Mr T Rudgard and six members of the public were also in attendance.

13/15 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The arrangements for fire exits and mobile phones were explained.

14/15 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Trotter, Cllr Easton

15/15 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

16/15 MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 2nd February 2015 were unanimously approved.

17/15 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

18/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The meeting was adjourned.

Public Questions not on the Agenda

The issue of noise and anti-social behaviour in the Recreation Ground, particularly around the metal container owned by the Football Club, was raised by a number of members of public. Cllr Robinson explained that this is an ongoing problem and agreed to talk again to the police and urged members of the public to report every incident to the police using the 101 contact number. Cllr Robinson also agreed to talk to the Football Club about options including the re-siting of the container.

Terry Burns wanted it recorded that he very much appreciated the work done by the Council's ground staff in maintaining the football pitch in such good condition.

Public Questions on the Agenda

There were no public questions on the Agenda

The meeting was reconvened.

19/15 REPORTS

Skate Park Working Party

Cllr Ives reported that applications for developers' contribution would need to go to full council.

Radford Park Working Party

Cllr Kirby reported that the working party had met a number of times and that work is progressing in cutting back and tidying in Radford Park. The next day planned is on 9 May when a team from Community Payback will be working with working party volunteers in clearing and burning brush and cuttings.

20/15 COMMUNITY SPORTS DAY

Tony Rudgard produced the list of clubs and societies taking part in the Sports Open Day, to be held on 4th July. Olivia Breen will be opening the day and it is hoped that the local MP will close the day and hand out prizes. Work is ongoing in organising the day with the full support and co-operation of Bohunt School. Publicity materials will be produced and distributed throughout the parish.

21/15 RADFORD PARK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME

Cllr Kirby introduced the report and said that the management plan needs to be updated. Hard landscaping costs are currently costed at around £80k. Hampshire County Council has said that developers' contributions needed to be commensurate with the size of the development, so it may be that a number of developers are approached for contributions.

Cllr Robinson thanked Cllr Kirby for her hard work on the report so far.

22/15 LIPHOOK IN BLOOM

It was noted that Liphook in Bloom has sent a letter of thanks to the council for putting the path in Fletchers Field, which has benefitted the residents and improved the look of the area. Cllr Robinson added that Age Concern (Liphook) had also contributed to this project.

23/15 TENNIS CLUB

A letter of thanks from the tennis club for the council's contribution to their application for EHDC grant was noted.

Mrs Hargreaves, representing the tennis club, produced pictures and a report showing the developments progress. It was agreed to remind ground staff about the toilet access security and to progress the request for hedge cutting to be completed. Mrs Hargreaves also mentioned the issue of anti social behaviour and vandalism, which will be followed up along with the recreation ground issues.

24/15 LITTER PICKING

It was noted that Cllrs Robinson and Jordan had written to local businesses identified as generating the most litter. None of the businesses has responded so this will be followed up.

Cllr Jordan reported that the recent litter picking day had been a success with around 50 bags of litter being collected in 2 hours. It is noted that Sainsbury's - one of the worst offenders - have already been spoken to but they need to be reminded if no change is made

25/15 WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - TREE PLANTING ON VILLAGE GREEN

A request has been received from Liphook Women's Institute (WI) to plant a tree on the village green to commemorate it's 100th anniversary. Their suggestion was to plant a maple tree to tie in with Liphook's connections with Canada and also that the WI was started in Canada. Cllr Robinson reported that he had met with Christine Chubb of the WI and had suggested that a maple tree be planted in the specimen tree area by the Millennium Centre. Plans for a memorial plaque have already been approved by the committee which is due to be unveiled by a representative from the Canadian High Commission and the suggestion is that he be asked to plant the tree. Cllr Ives proposed, Cllr Jordan seconded. Unanimously agreed.

26/15 PARKING ON BRAMSHOTT ISLAND

Cllr Robinson had written to the Parochial Church Council asking them to restrict parking around Bramshott Island, particularly when there was a large event going on. The council has provided cones which are stored at the church and it was reported that these are actually in use on big occasions. However, the damage caused by cars to the bank has already been done. In order to prevent further damage to the Bramshott triangle the Committee proposes that the bargate stone wall be repaired and a substantial steel post, painted white, be incorporated to protect the wall.

27/15 AQUADUCT TREE FELLING

Cllr Robinson reported that this work is now complete

28/15 PORTSMOUTH ROAD BUS STOP LAYBY RETAINING WALL

Liphook in Bloom wish to carry out work to the flower bed and wall in Portsmouth Road and has sought permission from Hampshire County Council (HCC). HCC has written to the Council suggesting that the Council enter a legal agreement with HCC. An agreement will then be made with Liphook in Bloom to carry out all necessary work and maintenance. The Committee proposed that this go forward to full council. Cllr Poole proposed, Cllr Jordan seconded. Unanimously agreed.

The Committee thanked the Chair, Cllr Robinson and vice chair, Cllr Jordan for their contribution to the recreation committee over the last four years.

Meeting ended 8.50 pm.

Chairman

Date