

**MINUTES of the MEETING of FEERING PARISH COUNCIL PLAYING
FIELD COMMITTEE held on THURSDAY 09 JULY 2015
@ 10.30am in the Parish Office**

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Mr P Lees (Chairman)

Mrs K Evans

Mrs M Lakin

Mrs M Freathy (Clerk)

ALSO ATTENDING

None

Members of the public: None

- 12/2015 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**
Cllr Lakin welcomed everyone to the meeting and Cllr Lees was elected as Chairman following elections and Annual Meeting in May, proposed Cllr Evans and seconded Cllr Lakin.
- 13/2015 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Cllr Lees declared a non pecuniary interest in item 05/2015 as a co-opted Governor of Feering Primary School .
- 14/2015 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**
None present.
- 15/2015 AGREEMENT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 05th March 2015.**
The Minutes were **AGREED**, proposed Cllr Evans and seconded Cllr Lees.
- 16/2015 FENCING REPAIRS**
Councillors noted that funding was not available from the Blackwater Aggregates for this community project.
- It was noted that the work had to be re-quoted for as the contractor assigned did not have the relevant street works certificate required to close the footpath when work undertaken.
- Councillors considered revised quotes and noted that none provided had the street works license, with majority proposing to keep footpath open with relevant safety measures. Cllr Evans agreed to contact Jim Bartley to re-check the position regarding necessity to have a street works license. Subject to it being not necessary to have one, Councillors **agreed** to proceed with the initial contractor. **ACTION: Cllr Evans**
- 17/2015 USE OF PLAYING FIELD**
- Councillors noted a letter has been sent to Feering Falcons requesting they use the main football pitch until further notice.
 - It was **agreed** that all hirers of the Playing Field be provided with a contract stating the agreement is for use of the Playing Field and MUGA only. The contract should include responsibilities of both parties, extent of liability and have a clause confirming that if the weather is inclement, the Playing Field itself must not be used if it would result in causing damage to the pitch and that the MUGA should be used as an alternative.

- The letter of thanks sent to Feering Utd was noted.
- Councillors noted that Feering Utd and S. Gibbs have agreed to work together to make improvements to goalmouths - S. Gibbs to provide soil/seed/tools and Feering Utd to assist with labour with a date to be agreed next May. Councillors requested estimated costs. **ACTION: Clerk**
- As the Council **agreed** to charge £7.50 for an hour and a half for Feering Falcons Use of Playing Field at its training sessions and in light of communication received in response to new charges, Councillors **agreed** to a discount of £1.50 for the period 01/04/15-31/3/16 but reserved the right to review again, proposed **Cllr Lakin** and seconded **Cllr Lees**. **ACTION: Clerk**

18/2015

MULTI PLAY EQUIPMENT

Councillors recommend removal of the Multiplay Equipment from the mound unless the ROSPA report (following second inspection) indicates that it is safe to remain, and to obtain quotes for its removal and to re-turf the mound and make good, proposed **Cllr Lakin** and seconded **Cllr Evans**. Councillors suggested putting paragraph in the Parish Magazine to notify parents not to allow their children to play on the equipment whilst fenced off. **ACTION: Clerk**

19/2015

WARNING SIGNS

Councillors **agreed** not to purchase signs warning of the dangers of climbing trees.

20/2015

SKATEPARK

- It was noted that the Clerk awaits advice from ROSPA regarding approval of artwork for replacement Skatepark Conditions of Use sign.
- The artwork for Caution signs for Skatepark were **APPROVED** subject to minor amendments, including triangular warning sign to be positioned in box with yellow background, the triangular warning sign itself to be black and remainder of sign to have white text with black background, proposed **Cllr Lees** and seconded **Cllr Lakin**. **ACTION: Clerk**

21/2015

ANY OTHER PLAYING FIELD MATTERS

Councillors requested that usage of the small pitch be included on the next agenda and Mr Gibbs invited to the meeting, also to discuss the budget for the forthcoming financial year and an update regarding the fencing. **ACTION: Clerk**

22/2015

AGREE DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on Wednesday 09th September 2015 in The Parish Office at 9:30am.

The meeting closed at 12:20pm

DATE OF NEXT PLAYING FIELD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 9th September 2015 @9.30am

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Minutes confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

Signed -----

Dated -----