

BROOMFIELD AND KINGSWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council Sports Field Committee at 67 Charlesford Avenue, Kingswood at 7.30 Tuesday 29th November 2011.

Present:

Cllr T Baker
Cllr V Cooper

Cllr P Beaney
Cllr M Evans

Cllr P Coleman
Cllr P Forster

(6)

Mrs G Gosden – A/Clerk & Finance Officer

There were no members of the public present.

Apologies for Absence

Cllr Justin West – Work commitments

Cllr Cooper opened the meeting at 7.35pm

SF 208 Councillors declaration

There were no declarations

SF 209 Finance Update for Sports Field

The PC budgeted for 2011/12 - £12,000 for the sports field, £5,000 is towards maintenance the remaining £7,000 for additional equipment. As of now we have spent £1,000+ on goal posts, nets & installation. This leaves us with less than £6,000 in the budget. However, at the F & GP meeting recently it was decided to maintain the overall budget for the next financial year at £50,615 and no increase in the precept application of £33,000 which means we have to carry over £17,615 to achieve this. (Last year we carried over £20,953) At the current time there is a possible £4,750 (maximum) available to spend, of which less than £300 is apportioned to the Concurrent Functions allowance.

Cllr Coleman requested that the A/Clerk obtain 3 quotes for the maintenance contract for 2012/13.

ACTION – A/Clerk

SF 210 Play Innovation – Street Snooker

Councillors discussed the information that had been researched by a number of Councillors, regarding Street Snooker; concerns were raised with the cost and whether it was suitable for the Sports Field. Cllr Coleman proposed that the PC do not continue with this project within this financial year, but requested that this item is revisited when setting the precept for 2012/13. This was seconded by Cllr Forster and agreed by all.

ACTION – A/Clerk

Cllr Evans left the meeting at 9.20pm

SF 211 Winter Maintenance of Goal Nets

Councillors resolved that the goal nets would remain in place over the winter.

Cllr Beaney proposed that the random set of goal posts be removed and disposed of; this was seconded by Cllr Forster and agreed by all.

ACTION – A/Clerk

SF 212 Charlton Athletic Community Trust

The A/Clerk has emailed Charlton Athletic but has not received a response to date.

Cllr Forster proposed that an initial session could be arranged for next year, seconded by Cllr Beaney and agreed by all. Cllr Forster will research further details and report back at next Sports Field meeting.

ACTION – Cllr Forster

Signature _____ Chairman

It was agreed that there should be a Sports Field meeting in January, A/Clerk will organise some dates and forward to Councillors. **ACTION – A/Clerk**

SF 214 Queens Diamond Jubilee

The A/Clerk has emailed both Leeds and Hollingbourne PC's regarding the Jubilee and the offer by Leeds Castle to have a beacon in the grounds for the Jubilee, both PC's have responded that they were not aware of the offer by Leeds Castle, in the meanwhile Hollingbourne has it's own plans already made, the Clerk at Leeds will bring the offer to the attention of Leeds Councillors.

It was agreed that the A/Clerk would write to the Village Hall Committee regarding this offer. **ACTION – A/Clerk**

Cllr Forster requested that a poster is displayed on the notice board asking if residents wished to have a beacon within Leeds Castle grounds for the Jubilee, if it was requested by residents he was prepared to organise the event. **ACTION – Cllr Forster & A/Clerk**

SF 215 Any Other Information

215.1 Applause Rural Touring – offering professional contemporary theatre performances. Cllr Coleman will forward information to Village Hall Committee. **ACTION – Cllr Coleman**

215.2 The occupier at 7 Charlesford Avenue that had been requested to clear the public footpath of the overgrown hedge, outside the property, has died and the property is in the hands of her solicitor and to that end the solicitor has required the garden to be cleared ready for sale, therefore the problem of the overgrown hedge is sadly resolved.

215.3 Phil Tweddell has repaired the bench at the Sports Field; he has also taken the new goal sockets and will endeavour to fit them as soon as possible. A/Clerk was requested to ask Phil Tweddell to ensure removal of all old pegs when the nets are re-located. Cllr Beaney will do further research on more appropriate pegs for the goal nets. **ACTION – Cllr Beaney & A/Clerk**

215.4 Due to the damage of the bench at the Sports Field it was decided to look into benches constructed of recycled material for future information.

215.5 Cllr Forster advised that the metal links on the Levercrest play area needed closer monitoring due to wear and tear, but were not an immediate concern. **ACTION – Cllr Forster**

There was no further business; Cllr Cooper closed the meeting at 9.07pm

Signature _____ Chairman
