

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL
RECREATION COMMITTEE
 Thursday 14th November- 7.30pm in the
 Pottinger Pavilion, Hunter Park, Twyford

Present:		In attendance
Cllr Cornwall		Mr Snowden - Chair of the Ballard's Close Committee
Cllr Lawton		
Cllr Forder-Stent		
Cllr Woodhouse.		

14/13	Apologies for absence Cllr Watson and Cllr Corcoran sent their apologies.
15/13	Declaration of interests Nothing to declare.
16/13	Public Participation To receive Questions and comments from members of the public (information only) To receive a proposal from the Twyford Children's Recreation Ground, Ballard's Close charity, on a bid for a contribution from Twyford Parish Council's Open Space funding. Chairman of Ballard's Close association, James Snowden spoke regarding the wet pour area. There was further discussion regarding a proposal with the PTA of a Trim Trail. It was noted that as the work was a repair it would not be covered by Open Spaces. Mr Snowden would reapply for a grant.
17/13	To receive the minutes from the last meeting on 7th July 2013 Proposed by Cllr Waine and Jade all agreed.
18/13	Update on the minutes of the last meeting, correspondence and other relevant matters. Matters arising: Item 7/13 - Pavilion support strut. This was discussed at a meeting with Cllr Macleod. It is not an immediate structural issue. There was some discussion over the work involved. ACTION: Clerk to obtain quotations. Item 7/13 Grounds Maintenance feedback from users. The Clerk had not been any negative feedback. There was some discussion over the cutting of the top bank and the edge of the recreation ground. Agree that the top bank and area be cut back and strimmed. There were continuing problems of dog mess. Item 8/13 – Update on the cricket screens. These are being ordered and will be stored securely until the storage area can be built. The Clerk was gaining assurance that the quotation was the same and the details on lead time. ACTION Clerk to add to the insurance and notify the insurance company where they will be stored. Item 9/13 – Update on the claim in the small claims court against Sporting Boyatt for £275.00 and White Horse Football Club for £250.00. It was noted that Sporting Boyatt had now paid. ACTION: Clerk to find out about the White Horse Football Club. Item 10/13 – Removal of the netball post from the basketball area. This was now complete. Item 10/13 - Update on the wobbly bridge replacement at Northfields. The work was now done. Item 11/13 – Update on the proposed interim report on the tree at Hunter Park which has recently lost a limb, and shows possible decay. ACTION: The Clerk would be meeting with tree surgeons to obtain quotes. It was noted that the Clerk would seek quotes to fell the tree.
19/13	Report on the recent storm and damage at Hunters Park One tree had fallen into the Recreation Ground and some other trees lost limbs. These had been cleared.
20/13	To consider the annual fee for 2013/14 for the HPTCA and the requirement for a lease or license for them to operate. This item was carried forward from the last meeting. There was some discussion about the background to the proposal. The Tennis Club had requested lighting on the courts. In the past planning permission was turned down and it was felt that the WCC would continue to object. Agreed to hold a meeting to discuss the light proposal and the lease. ACTION: Clerk to respond and arrange meeting to discuss the annual fee and lights.
21/13	Report on the Grounds maintenance contractor review. Cllr MacLeod and the Clerk had met with the Grounds man for a review. Items to note: Middle post on the steps – will be treated. Road at the back of the Pavilion. Water splashing on the building was a concern. Grounds man to obtain a quote. Down pipe missing and will be replaced. Bins – There was a need to install another bin. ACTION: The Clerk would review the rubbish removal contract. RESOLVED to recommend that the Parish Council continue with Matt Riley and refer to the Finance committee. Proposed by Cllr MacLeod. Seconded by Cllr Lawton. All agreed.
22/13	To agree the budget for the Recreation committee for referral to the Finance committee and FPC.

	RESOLVED: The budget was discussed in detail. The Committee agreed to refer the budget to the Finance committee after some clarity on costs which would be confirmed at the Finance meeting.
23/13	Open Space funding and any future plans. To discuss any proposals of improvements to Ballard's Close and use of Twyford Parish Council's Open Space fund.
	The current balance was Play £8926.36, Sports £5773.76. The application for a Trim Trail by the PTA and Ballard's Close committee would be refined and resubmitted. RESOLVED to support the application for a grant for the wet pour repairs subject to the financial requirements. Basketball court - ACTION: Clerk to arrange quotes for asphalt/hard resurfacing of the basketball area to include sunken locking sockets for posts. Two for five aside posts and another for a netball/post.
24/13	To discuss the Tennis Club's request for lighting.
	See above.
25/13	To discuss setting up a local Football group at Hunters Park and volunteers to run scheme.
	The possible local football had moved to Stoneham in Eastleigh.
26/13	Date of the next meeting
	21.46pm