DRAFT MINUTES of the **MEETING** of **SILKSTONE PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE** held on Monday 17th June 2019 at 7pm.

PRESENT: Chairman: Richard Leech (Silkstone PC) Richard Bell (Silkstone PC Clerk & RFO) Ron Stier (Silkstone PC) Andy Horsfield (SUFC), Jon Dale (SUJFC under 18's), Jim McGuinness (Penistone Church U13's) Kevin Taylor (SUCC) Dan Walker (SUCC).

19-042 APOLOGIES

None received by Clerk. Steve Fletcher, Ian Wrightson and Tony Clegg sent apologies with other members.

19-043 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None made.

19-044 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting on Monday 29th April 2019 as a true and accurate record.

19-045 PAVILION

Health and Safety & Comments book

RESOLVED to note the following comments from Cllr. Stier:-
28th May 2019 – Changing Room 2 key was missing but subsequently located.
Tables left out, floor not swept and some litter bins not emptied.
4 chairs in scoring area.
3rd June 2019 – window in main room left open (behind shutter). Main room had Television and large speakers left out.
10th June 2019 – disabled toilet light left on.

Cllr Stier reported sand on the road following football pitch renovation works.
Continuing issues with cars parking on the side of the football pitch.
Reminder that the next Silkstone Shuttle is scheduled for Saturday 22nd June.

19-046 RECREATION GROUND AND GROUNDS MAN

Cricket

RESOLVED to note that there has been an incident of tyre damage to the pitch. Otherwise the pitch itself looks great.
Following the report which appeared in the Barnsley Chronicle on Friday 26th June;
Kev Taylor wanted to express the sense of anger and disappointment at the article.
Comments attributed to Members of Silkstone Parish Council had caused a good deal of anger especially the suggestion that the cricket club were abusing the Pavilion and would be barred from using it in future. The cricket do a lot of good things that do not seem to get reported nor receive thanks, for example raising money for charity etc.
Cllr Leech reassured the cricket club that it was not the Parish Council who contacted the Chronicle, rather it was their reporter who attended the preceding Parish Council meeting and made a story about the comments in the Health & Safety book as repeated at this meeting above.
Cllr Leech raised his disappointment and concern about some of the inappropriate comments that had been made on the Cricket Club Facebook page and that the administrator/moderator needs to consider what is being said.
The Clerk reported that on 10th June, he had made contact with Ian Wrightson to praise cricket on the excellent cleanliness of the Pavilion follow the weekend matches.

Football

RESOLVED to note that Jon Dale reported that the U15's are struggling for players. Some of the former U18's team are trialling of the new open age team. Jim McGuinness reported that the Penistone Church U13's were looking for players, signs up in the PC noticeboards.
Andy Horsfield reported that the fees for the new open age team had been paid to the County FA; trying to sort out insurance cover and hope to be affiliated at the AGM on 27th June 2019 after which they can pay to join the League and sign players. The first match would be 17th August but the first opportunity to play at home on a Saturday would be 21st September due to cricket.
The holes where the old goalposts were situated need to be made safe – Clerk to action.

RESOLVED to note that Penistone Church over 45's team still owe £190 for pitch hire. Jon Dale confirmed that he had been contacted about picking up the cash.

19-047 SUMMER FAIR

RESOLVED to note that the Parish Council Summer Fair will be taking place on Saturday 31st August 2019 and that no cricket or football matches can take place on that day. It looks as if there is still a Cricket game scheduled for that day but this must be rearranged. Clerk to contact Ian Wrightson.

Participation from football and cricket invited even if that is volunteering to help on the day. Kev Taylor offered to allow the use of the cricket club 'fridges.

19-048 PORTABLE FLOODLIGHTS

RESOLVED to note an update from Steve Fletcher via Cllr Leech that HD Select had sourced two reconditioned floodlights at a cost of £3,000 each rather than £20,000 new. The floodlights will be situated at either side on the pitch on the half-way line. To install it would be necessary to 'cut' into the banking. This needs to be agreed initially with the SPFC and thereafter approved by the Parish Council. Cllr Stier raised concerns about the diesel generator and what is the recommended distance from the pitch side etc. If the portable floodlights lead to training use during winter, will the Pavilion facilities be required?

RESOLVED to agree to the installation of the floodlights and see how it goes.

Cllr Stier raised concerns about possible over use of the pitch and a deterioration of the playing surface Summer but Cllr Leech reminded the Committee that there were fewer teams playing and that with good management it would not have an adverse effect. Andy Horsfield said that local lads had a vested interest in protecting the playing surface.

The next phase would be to consider permanent floodlights; as an example 6 x 15 metre towers would cost £41,000 or 4 x 18 metre towers would cost £23,000 so this would be a longer term aim requiring fund raising.

19-049 PORTABLE GOAL POSTS

RESOLVED to note that the Parish Council have agreed to the gift of the Goal Posts and these have been added to the insurance schedule. However, the Parish Council have raised security concerns around the situation of one of the goal posts near the Pavilion.

Additionally, the location of the goal post is effectively across a public right of way and is currently chained to a private fence Clerk to email Steve Fletcher.

19-050 PAVILION / RECREATION GROUND BOOKINGS / HIRE

No additional bookings to report. Reminder of School Leaving event on Friday 19th July which is in Google Calendar.

19-051 FOOTBALL PITCH HIRE INVOICES 2019/2020 SEASON

RESOLVED to note that the pitch hire cost will be the same as 2018/2019 season at £350 for juniors and £390 for adult teams.

19-052 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence received.

19-053 ANY OTHER PAVILION OR PLAYING FIELDS BUSINESS

Dan Walker asked if there was anywhere else for the Parish Council to meet to avoid clashes with Cricket practice/matches. Cllr Leech explained that the Pavilion is the only non-cost location. In any event since there is no Parish Council meeting in August the only potential 'clash' this year is Monday 2nd September.

RESOLVED to note that the football container roof has now been repaired.

19-054 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will take place at 7PM on Monday 29th July 2019 at Silkstone sports pavilion.

Meeting Closed at 8.39PM

Signed by the Chairman