

HICKLING PLAYING FIELD OR RECREATION GROUND CHARITY MEETING

Date: 26th February 2018 Venue: Laurel Edgell Room Time: 7 pm

PRESENT : Harry Purnell (HP), Richard Booton (RB), Brian Butcher (BB), Louise Chicken (LC), Chris Watkins (CW), Harvey Gibbons (HG), Lorraine Bennett (LB), Nick Baker (NB), Maggie Prettyman (MP), Gemma Scarborough (GS), Shirley Sainsbury (SS), Robin Slater.

Apologies: Viv Tallwin (VT)

Approval of Minutes: 16th January 2018 Matters Arising: Shirley Sainsbury to confirm the increase in private hire re the badminton.

Finance Matters: Treasurer confirmed letter received to say that loan has been fully repaid. Treasurer updated on increase to flo gas of 57p and noted that the feed in and heat source to come.

£19927 Reserve

£18840 Improvement

£4553 General

SS noted call from Eon and Treasurer aware (re final readings).

Grass cutting - LB noted that quote for grass cutting not dissimilar to last year and that all issues previously raised were in hand. Agreed to confirm and SS to accept quote.

Improvements inside the Barn:

Sound system: Discussion on different quotes and options (circulated prior to meeting). First phase is to reduce reverberation; MP suggested looking at making panels ourselves or buying separately and erecting. NB confirmed that you can purchase acoustic foam and there should be adequate competencies within the volunteer group to carry out the works.

CW noted other options such as getting a consultant in to say where to erect panels.

MP and NB discussed the options re aesthetics (painting) and that you can't paint as this could affect how it works. NB noted that there may be access to appropriate equipment to carry out tests.

Continued discussion on options such as smaller speakers, what comes first speakers or room improvements, only using the front speakers as an interim measure is the first step. Find out what the consultant is going to do prior to him coming to site.

Resolved – Quote from consultant and ask what needs to be carried out, SS to action.

Line painting: HG can find out exactly what can go on and what can be used is name of flooring is provided, SS to provide name of floor materials.

Resolved HG to find line paint information.

Doors: BB fixed the door so that it can shut but not lock, waiting for the locks to come back from being repaired. LB questioned whether all needed servicing. HG noted that the snooker room locks also need attention.

Big doors: BB stated that it is the fittings not the doors that are the issue, Neil has had a look and the doors sag when wet. BB needs to fix the gear which would fix the issue, costs need to be confirmed and the door does not have to be taken off. Work is to the back doors only.

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BB to action when the weather is ok.

Firework committee: Agreed that the committee would comprise NB, Dave Skinner (DS), RB, and (later decision) GS.

MP noted that the Greyhound had also registered (Beacon) and that Dave Belsten was to negotiate.

The fireworks committee from the Parish Council was reported as Dave Belsten.

Decided that the fireworks committee would cover whole event not just fireworks.

Currently a joint event with the PC including bonfire, fireworks and associated refreshments only. MP suggested have an initial meeting to take forward, starting with original event plan.

Committee named 'Battle is Over Committee' and the first meeting shall be after the 20th March.

GS to check what quotes Dave Belsten has received re fireworks, how many and how much.

Playground: NB to chase report re playground check.

Insurance Quotes (car park post knocked down): LC asked for update and MP informed that we have the insurance details of the driver, no quotes currently for repair works. Two quotes required for electric and tarmac, two quotes are required for the insurance company. DS to quote for electrics, MW to quote for tarmac.

NB to action quote from MW and second quote.

SS to action quote from DS.

Volunteer evening:

NB sent round document prior to the meeting setting out salient points and aims of the evening. Please refer to document.

NB covered the points in the pre circulated documents, reiterating that the first role of trustees is to the charity and that all volunteers are as important as each other and everyone is equal.

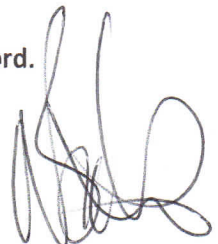
The night will include food and wine for all volunteers, talk to each other and set out a position statement. NB to give a business plan and financial plan including priorities and events for the year. Stress that this is to talk together, RB would like to ask how to make the family bigger. All that help are invited.

MP noted that this is an evening for people who have helped, a meeting for future volunteers can be held at a different time.

BB notes the importance of getting young people involved. MP notes that this will be a good topic to discuss on the night.

How the evening is to work:

- SS to invite and require attendance confirmation.
- Tables set out to break into groups, at least one trustee per table.
- Max 6 tables.
- Post it notes to be provided for ideas to be put on a wall and photographed as a record.
- Stress that we are all working together for the same end.

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