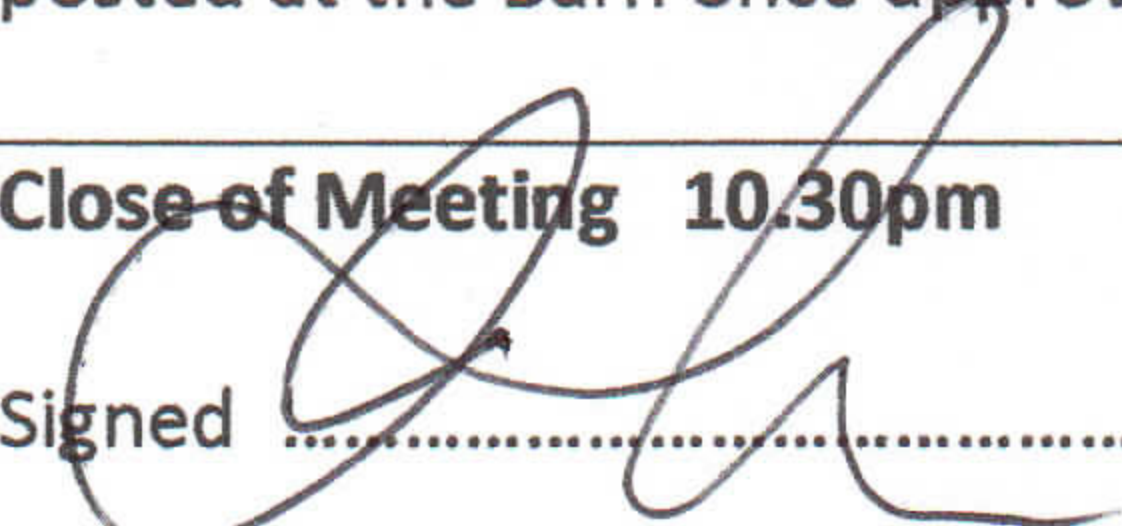


MINUTES OF HICKLING PLAYING FIELD OR RECREATION GROUND CHARITY

Date **16 April 2014** Venue: **Thatched House** Time **8.30 pm**

	PRESENT : Richard Cook , Nick Baker, Shirley Sainsbury , Brian Butcher , Harry Purnell, Maggie Prettyman, Vivien Tallowin, Chris Watkins, Harvey Gibbons, Lorraine West	
1	Apologies: Pam Barnard, David Beales	
2	Approval of Minutes: Minutes 24 March & 9 April were approved and signed.	RC
3	Matters Arising: Updated Code of conduct & Trustees Role description all completed	SS
4	Finance Matters: No report available. Accountant is meeting with PB over weekend.	PB/RC
5	Parish Council meeting: A statement made by Cllr E Lindo at the parish council meeting on the 7 April contained comments that are not factually correct and accusations that are unfounded regarding the charity & its trustees. A reply will be sent via the Clerk with a note that all correspondence with the parish council will now be made through the Clerk and in writing.	SS
6	Dispute Update: Emails have been received from E Lindo about arranging a meeting between him and the trustees. We have been advised by our solicitor not to liaise with the Parish Council as now is not the right time. It also appeared, as the correspondence did not come from the Clerk, that EL was possibly acting on his own account and without a mandate from the PC. The Charity's solicitor has advised that it is only appropriate to liaise with a properly approved representative of the Parish Council, not with Parish Councillors acting independently or on their own initiative, however well meaning that may be. We have sent a letter, out of courtesy, to Mr Lindo, advising all correspondence must go via the parish Clerk and in writing.	RC
7	Correspondence: 2 replies from stakeholders letters regarding the new constitution.	SS
	<p>AOB:</p> <p>1. The Trustees were concerned that one particular element of the new constitution, attendance and voting at trustee meetings in person only, may cause practical difficulty. At the moment we are able to meet flexibly, but the in person requirement will be a different way of working and means that we must be sure that meetings are planned well in advance to ensure Trustees are given enough notice to ensure in person attendance.</p> <p>In preparation for the proposed changes to the constitution, and to iron out any issues or practical difficulties with the new arrangements before the new constitution is adopted, it was agreed that the trustees will from now on meet in person on a planned monthly basis.</p> <p>In future the Charity will arrange, send out agenda's and minutes and give apologies for meetings electronically, but all attendance at meetings and votes will have to be in person.</p> <p>2. In preparation for adoption of the new constitution, minutes of Trustees meetings will be posted at the Barn once approved.</p>	
	<p>Close of Meeting 10.30pm</p> <p>Signed </p> <p>Next Meeting : 15th May 2014 Venue: TBA</p> <p>Dated <u>15 May 14</u></p>	