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The minutes of the **RECREATION COMMITTEE** held on **Monday 11th November 2023**
At the Willingdon Hub Library, Coppice Avenue.

Present: Cllrs Ian Nisbet (IN) (Chair), Ben Clennell (BC), Howard Coote (HC), Fran Pritchett (FP), John Pritchett BEM (JP),
Daniel Shing (DS).

In Attendance: Nicola Williamson – Parish Clerk (NW).

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Action By</u>
<u>R23/41</u>	<u>Apologies and Councillors not Present</u> There were apologies from Cllr R Sheppard who was unwell. These were NOTED.	
<u>R23/42</u>	<u>To accept the minutes from the meeting held on Monday 14th August 2023</u> RECOMMENDED: To accept the minutes of Monday 14 th August 2023, as an accurate and true record, and these were signed by Cllr Ian Nisbet (Chair).	
<u>R23/43</u>	<u>Declarations of interest</u> All Councillors declared an interest in items relating to Huggett's Lane Recreation Ground as trustees. The Clerk granted a general dispensation to allow discussion on Huggett's Lane Recreation Ground. Cllr D Shing declared an interest in R23/47 (ii).	
<u>R23/44</u>	<u>Public Question Time</u> There were no public questions.	
<u>R23/45</u>	<u>Cricket and Footballs Clubs</u> NW reported there had been no reports from the Football Clubs for the meeting, but Brian and Janice Kensett had just emailed a brief report for the Members. They are pleased with the standard of cleaning in the Pavilion, but they feel like it needs a bit of a spruce up. Members AGREED for NW to meet with Dave Miles to arrange for some decorating to be carried out when the Pavilion is not in use. To date the seniors have only played six matches due to the weather conditions. They thanked the PC for its continued support.	<u>NW</u>
<u>R23/46</u>	<u>Update on Brodricklands and Hamlands Farm Sports Facilities</u> i) General Update	

	The Clerk's report was NOTED. Cllr Nisbet reported that a site visit had taken place on Friday 10th November with Jamie Low and James Pugh from Barrett's David Homes, followed by a meeting to discuss the Pavilion specifications. The meeting went well and was very informative. A Large Development Sub-Committee Meeting is to be arranged for Monday 20th November. Jamie Low to send NW the updated plans and spec for the meeting.	<u>NW</u>
<u>R23/47</u>	<u>Huggett's Lane Recreation Ground</u> i) General Update Dave Miles had to carry out some emergency fence repairs in the recreation ground that borders on a bungalow in Wenthill Gardens. The fencing had fallen into the resident's garden due to the hedging being overgrown and the fence posts have collapsed. The hedging has been cut back, ready for regrowth next year and the fence repaired temporarily until he can install the new piece of fencing in the better weather. NW reported that some residents are still asking for the bench in the play area to be turned around, but Dave Miles has explained this would be a lot of work as the base had been concreted into the ground. The Members AGREED for NW to purchase another bench for the play area. ii) Concrete Base by Gate – To choose a Contractor The Clerk's report was NOTED. The pedestrian gate nearest Seven Sisters Road is continually flooded during the winter months making it unusable. Three quotes were supplied to the Members to decide. It was AGREED to award the works to JF Construction & Son Ltd. NW to contact the company and schedule in the works for as soon as possible.	<u>NW</u>
<u>R23/48</u>	<u>Tott Yew Recreation Ground</u> The Clerk's report was NOTED. i) General Update This is still being well used by dog walkers and the play area is well used by families with young children. ii) New Play Equipment The new inclusive play equipment has now been installed and good feedback has been received from residents. A new bridge has now been ordered and a few minor repairs left to be carried out later in November/December.	
<u>R23/49</u>	<u>Jevington Recreation Ground</u> i) General Update Cllr Clennell gave a verbal report from Will Kirkman regarding the outstandings works to be carried out to the Pavilion to finally complete all the works. This includes finishing the changing rooms and some building works outside alongside the Pavilion. One quote had already been received and two more were being sought. Members AGREED for the works to be carried out within the budget that has been allocated to the project. Cllr Clennell also reported that a bench by the Memorial Hall is completely dilapidated and needed replacing due to safety issues. To be discussed at the next Amenities meeting. Will Kirkman would like to hold a red ribbon opening ceremony once all the works have been completed and would like Chair John Pritchett BEM to cut the ribbon. Will Kirkman would also like to put a plaque on the Pavilion acknowledging the PC financial support over the years.	

	ii) <u>Cricket Club</u> Nothing to report	
<u>R23/50</u>	<u>To consider what facilities are needed from S106 monies/CIL monies.</u> Cllr Nisbet thought it was a good idea to have a discussion and consider various recreation facilities that are needed in the village. Members discussed the idea of benches in the new Meadowburne Place Sports Ground, the Flower Meadow behind the ground and a possible tennis court too.	
<u>R23/51</u>	<u>Budget for 2024 – 2025</u> i) <u>To agree and accept the budget</u> The Clerk's report was NOTED . Members discussed the proposed budget and then AGREED to RECOMMEND to Finance and General Purposes Committee the proposed Budget for 2024 – 2025.	
<u>R23/52</u>	<u>Income and expenditure</u> i) <u>Income and expenditure to date</u> The Clerk's report was NOTED and Members AGREED the Finances were all good.	<u>NW</u>
<u>R23/53</u>	<u>Risk Management</u> None	
<u>R23/54</u>	<u>Any urgent items</u> Cllr J Pritchett reported that the Willingdon 1 st Scouts would be providing the burger tent next year at MITP. NW reported that Cllr Sheppard had sourced a burger van company as a back-up plan.	<u>NW</u>
<u>R23/55</u>	<u>Date of the next Meeting – Monday 29th January 2024</u>	<u>NW</u>

Meeting finished at 8.22 pm.

Signed (Chairman).....

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