

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE OF HAZELBURY
BRYAN PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ALEC'S FIELD PAVILION ON TUESDAY 16th JANUARY 2024
AT 6:30PM**

Present: Liz Stockley (LS), Jim Bettle (JB), Neil Robson (NR), Neil Willsdon (NW)

Members of the public: One

Minutes: Malcolm Wilson (MW)

01/24. Apologies for absence: Received from Barry Thompson (BT) and Kirsty Liddicoat (KL)

02/24. Declarations of Interest: None

03/24. Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2023 were approved. The person preparing the cricket wicket is John Grayson, not John Grove

04/24. Matters arising not covered in the agenda: LS passed over £24.90 to NW in respect of the gym equipment sold on e-bay

05/24. Cricket Club – update: Nothing new to report. The rent of £350 for 2024 is due in the spring

06/24. Football club – update: NW advised there are home fixtures on February 11 and 25 and away games on March 10 and April 11. In addition, there is a home cup semi-final on April 28 and possible another fixture early in May. The club will liaise closely with the cricket club over date clashes, timings etc, but with cricket not starting until 1.30pm it should be manageable.

The 5-a-side football training on the cricket square inevitable causes some damage to the surface and this will need to be repaired and rolled before cricket begins.

The Christmas fundraising event at the school raised over £200.

The showers seem to be scaled-up again and NW will look at repairs. The immersion heater was also very slow to heat up, and NR will check it over.

The club has about 20 players training regularly on a pitch in Shaftesbury.

NW will remind players to put rubbish in the correct re-cycling or general rubbish bins.

07/24. Funding sources – i) Section 106 money and grants: Nothing to report at this stage

08/24. Pavilion: i) bookings: JB reported that Jamie Hart was happy with the proposed arrangements for Dorset Arts Week. **ii) other matters:** NR has installed a new outside light by the front door and fixed the movement sensitive light by the parking hard standing

09/24. Play area and cycle pump track: Nothing to report

10/24. Alec's Field: i) grass cutting: Rob Simpson, a cricket club member who lives in Ibberton, is taking over the grass cutting. **ii) other matters:** In the absence of a buyer, it was agreed the old gang mower will be sold for scrap.

11/24. Other matters relating to the recreation ground: As part of the village infrastructure project, Wessex Internet has agreed to provide internet connectivity at the pavilion at the special community rate of £1 per month in perpetuity. MW and JB, with help from Ernie Cluett, had met with the project leader to look at the route of the cable around Alec's Field. The work should only take a day or two, taking place probably in June. WI will be responsible for making good any surface damage to playing field standard and repairing any damaged drains etc.

12/24. Date of next meeting: The next meeting will provisionally be held on Tuesday 20th February 2024 at 6.30pm, but may not be necessary. MW will advise nearer the time.

13/24. Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.58 pm.

