

Minutes of a meeting of North Scarle Village Hall & Playing Fields Committee on Tuesday 7th June 2011 at 7.30pm

Present : Laura Bell, Paul Cobb, Ken Hall, Ben Humphries, Pat Malson, Rosie Rowe, Shirley Wells, Dave Pierce, Collen Vickers, Barbara Wells, Shirley Wells, Glenn Wright, Paul Thompson(Groundsman).

- 1. **Apologies** Chris Dixon, Dan Scott, Jean Shelbourne, Barry Quibell.
- 2. **Minutes of the last meeting** Minutes of the meeting following the AGM were distributed.
- 3. **Matters arising** None.
- 4. **Report from Secretary** No correspondence to report.
- 5. **Report from Treasurer** Income and Expenditure for May 2011.

Income	£
Car Boot Sales	1004.00
Caravans	672.00
	1676.00
Expenditure	£
Groundsman	180.00
Car Boot Sale adverts	27.84
Toilet rolls	10.00
Rubbish collection	20.00
Cleaning	12.00
Play area cleaning	80.00
Analysis book	11.99
Petrol	6.25
Accountant	264.00
Electricity	689.71
	1291.79
Premier account	9112.62
Current account	5858.55
Cash	730.74
	15701.91

16 weeks

6. Report from representatives

- 6.1 Bowls Club. CV reported on the Bowls club, all going well.
- 6.2 Cricket Club. Chris Hogg, temp rep, report sent which gave details of home fixtures and playing squad. Fund wise they were operating hand to mouth and thanked the PFC for keeping the outfield to a high standard.
- 6.3 Church Council. As JS was away there was no report.
- 6.4 Football Club. It was stated that the FC were willing to pay £50 for a pitch, and a suggestion of a 5 a side tournament to raise money. It was agreed in principle that this was a good idea. To be discussed further at next meeting.

- 6.5 Methodist Chapel. BW reported that the refurbishment was still ongoing at the MC and a generator point had been fitted in case of an emergency.
- 6.6 Model Engineering Society. DP reported that the MES was donating £150, which they had collected on gate at car boot for which they were thanked by the committee. DP also agreed to help with removal of rubbish from the playing field.
- 6.7 Parish Council. No rep present.
- 6.8 Tennis Club. No rep present.
- 6.9 Training Club. GW stated that the carpet was wearing thin, but knows finances are not at their best at this time to replace it.
- 6.10 Women's Institute. RR asked what her role entailed and PC outlined what was expected of representatives.
- 6.11 Village Hall Committee. BH reported that the VH committee had been formed and it was hoped to formalise the pricing for hire of the hall. Suggestions were for £7.50/hr, post 6pm £15 first two hrs. then £10/hr. It was suggested £5/hr for village people/organisations; could be different for summer/winter charges. Members who had keys asked to bring them in so all could be collated. It was also suggested that the outside of VH be smartened up and a new notice board was needed. New posts put up at entrance. BH asked if it could be arranged to have teas served in VH on car boot days.

- 7. **Car Boot Sales** PC stated that Eric Wells in the past had done much of the organisation work on Car Boots, for which he was thanked, but now he has retired we need to look at structure of them again to define responsibilities. PC to discuss with CV.
- 8. **Caravan Site** It was suggested caravans be moved on a monthly basis. Rules and conditions to be placed on notice board, utility costs to be checked, previous year's water and electricity to be compared. Electricity bill to be looked at when present contract runs out in Feb/2012. Insurance options to be looked at ready for renewal in Aug. PM to update T&C and display on notice board – PC to assist if required.
- 9. **Utilities** SW to summarise past utility usage for electricity and water where possible. When the current contracts end we should look for the most cost-effective option to reduce outgoings. PC to get comparative quotes for insurance policy which is due for renewal.

10. Any other business

- PC reported on the Co-op grant application which has to be in by the end of July and the results will be announced in mid-August.
- Groundsman Payments. The groundsman was asked to leave the meeting while his application for a pay rise was being discussed, points put forward were: annual pay the same but doles hours in the winter months which would cut down on his travelling expenses or would it be more viable to sell the mower and get a contract cutter in. After he re-joined the meeting and further discussion it was agreed on an increase to £57/week for 35 weeks starting from next Sunday. PC to write contact based on new terms.
- North Scarle Web Site PC to update northscarlelincs.co.uk and add content. Anyone with info and news to contact PC for inclusion.
- Football. Children were still causing problems outside the VH, it was suggested that we could put up a wall for them to kick against but the right spot would have to be found. PC to request suggestions from RH regarding most cost-effective solution. BH to shortlist potential sites.
- It was also suggested that the Tennis Club are approached about using part of the tennis courts for basketball – and a hoop be fitted.

- CV asked if seats could be placed at side of cricket pavilion/It was also suggested that seating could be put patio area for children. The consensus was that we should include seats at the location of the football wall and this be in a more conspicuous position and not hidden away.
- LB stated that Witham Paints had offered paints for refurbishing children's play area and would approach other suppliers for designs of play area equipment.
- It was agreed to ask the Parish Council for financial support for redevelopment of the play area.

Meeting closed at 10.40pm

Next meeting to be held on July 26th at 7.30pm