

Stoke Mandeville Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of the LEISURE COMMITTEE held in the Community Centre, Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville on Tuesday 16th December 2014 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr B Ezra (Chair), Cllr B Adams, Cllr R Butler, Cllr J Hunt, Cllr D Starr, Cllr P Wood

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L14/38	APOLOGIES None, all committee members were present.	
L14/39	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no declarations of interest made.	
L14/40	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 th September were unanimously agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.	
L14/41	PLAYGROUND It was noted that a second repair to the aerial runway had been carried out in October, Cllr Ezra reported that the contractor had made an excellent repair. It was agreed to look at repainting the equipment in the spring, the Clerk would contact Safe and Sound Playgrounds to see if this was a service they offered.	Clerk
L14/42	COMMUNITY CENTRE – STOKE MANDEVILLE The minutes of the joint meeting with SMVCA were noted. It had been reported at the meeting that the copper pipes in the loft were failing due to their age resulting in a leak above the boiler room. SMVCA would get a quote to replace all the old pipes, this had yet to be received. It was noted that one of the new urinals in the gents cloakroom had a small crack near the top, the Clerk was asked to write to SMVCA regarding this. Work was still ongoing to convert from changing rooms to the new facilities for the playgroup. The door to the new facilities had been installed by Hazlemere Windows on 8 th December. The Clerk reported that the lock on the store room door had broken the previous day. She had called out Paul Merrison who had fitted a replacement lock for a cost of £75, inclusive of parts and labour. The front door for the Centre was not closing properly, the Clerk was asked to get it looked at to assess what was causing the problem	
L14/43	COMMUNITY CENTRE – HAWKSLADE AVDC had met on 22 nd September when it was agreed that they would retain the management of their community centres, including Hawkslade. It was noted that a retrospective planning application for solar panels on the roof of the community centre had been submitted to AVDC.	
L14/44	QUEEN ELIZABETH II FIELD a) It was noted that the perimeter hedging had been cut back. Maintenance work on the trees would be carried out after Christmas by P Kernan Tree Surgery Ltd. b) The Clerk had taken advice from HMRC regarding lettings on the field who confirmed that the lettings were exempt from VAT. c) The Clerk reported on costs for soccer kick boards and outdoor table tennis. The soccer boards ranged in price from £10-17,000. The table tennis would cost in the region of £2,200	

	<p>plus surfacing, either a concrete base or grass mats. It was AGREED to recommend that the Council purchase a table tennis table for the QEII field to be funded partly by remaining s106 funds and partly by the Parish Council.</p> <p>d) Play around the Parishes had been booked for 30th July (am) and 11th August (pm).</p> <p>e) A request had been received to hire the field for children's sports activities during school holidays. The Clerk would ask for further information regarding number of days and times of the events.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
L14/45	<p>TENNIS COURT AND SKATE PARK</p> <p>Cllr Ezra had inspected the tennis courts and spoken to regular users of the courts. The biggest issue was that moss was spreading across the courts which made them slippery. The Council's groundsman had treated the moss recently and it was agreed to wait and see if that caused the moss to die off before committing to any further treatments.</p> <p>There were no issues raised relating to the skate park.</p>	
L14/46	<p>ADULT EXERCISE EQUIPMENT</p> <p>Cllr Starr would attend a funding fair in February and report back on grants available.</p>	DS
L14/47	<p>S106 FUNDING</p> <p>It was suggested that the Council fund a table tennis table and other similar facilities, such as a basketball post and net, on Hawkslade using the s106 funds available. The Clerk would arrange a meeting with AVDC, as the land owners, for January.</p>	
L14/48	<p>ANY OTHER ISSUES (FOR INFORMATION)</p> <p>There were no matters raised.</p>	
L14/49	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday 17th February 2015. It was agreed that the meeting would start at the earlier time of 2.30pm.</p>	

Signed

Dated: 17th February 2015