

# SAWSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: RECREATION & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

20 May 2014

**PRESENT:** Chairman: E C Murray Snr Assistant Clerk: Mrs G A Pack

Councillors

Dr D R Bard

Miss S E Clarke

K Cuffley

Ms B Laxton (arrived 7.32pm)

M J R Mallows

I G Read

W N Reid

R M Richmond

Head Groundsman : Mr A R Poole

Sawston Cricket Club : Mr K Pride

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mr P Sharp (Sawston Bowls Club – Bowls Match)

## 2 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE RECREATION & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor E C Murray was **PROPOSED** by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor Dr D R Bard for the position of Chairman.

As no other candidates were nominated a vote took place and Councillor E C Murray was elected Chairman.

**VOTE: 8 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

Councillor Ms B Laxton arrived

## 3 TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Councillor Miss S E Clarke was **PROPOSED** by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid for the position of Vice-Chairman.

As no other candidates were nominated a vote took place and Councillor Miss S E Clarke was elected Vice-Chairman.

**VOTE: 9 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## 4 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FOR THIS MEETING

None

## 5 MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2014 were read, confirmed and signed with the following amendment:

‘Mr K Pride (Sawston Cricket Club) did tender his apologies for this meeting but it was not recorded’

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor R M Richmond and **SECONDED** by Councillor Miss S E Clarke to **ACCEPT** these minutes.

**VOTE: 9 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## 6 MATTERS ARISING

### **8 – Sawston Rovers F.C. – 5% penalty for late payment of fees**

Councillor M J R Mallows requested that it be minuted that Mr R Rule was not correct in his statement that Sawston Rover F.C. had never been late in paying fees as this had happened several times before.

## 7 SPORTS CLUB MATTERS

### **Agreement for the Hire of Sports Facilities**

Mr K Pride queried the section ‘Fixture Lists – minimum of 30 days notice’ saying that the Cricket Club could only meet this request if they themselves have received the fixtures from the Cricket Board. It was agreed by the Committee to be a reasonable statement.

Mr K Pride also asked for it to be put in writing to the football clubs using Spicers that they must not use the cricket square. Mr A R Poole advised they had been told and as the football season was now over this situation would not re-occur other than use of the mini pitches.

Mr K Pride asked for an amended Agreement for the Hire of Sports Facilities to be sent to him for signature.

## 8 GROUNDSMAN ISSUES

None

## 9 PAVILIONS & GROUNDS

### **Spicers**

It was reported that the Fire Exit door on the Cemetery side needed fixing again and that the boot scraper had been snapped off even though it had been fixed with paving slabs placed around it.

It was requested that Mr A R Poole ask Mr Tomlinson to provide a quotation for putting a sleeve on it for Health & Safety reasons.

### **Mill Lane**

Nothing to Report

## **Lynton Way**

Councillor Ms B Laxton asked if there was any news regarding replacing the Pavilion. Councillor E C Murray explained the Parish Council was awaiting a decision on whether Cambridge City F.C. plans would be accepted at the SCDC Planning Committee on 4 June 2014.

## **10 MILL LANE PAVILION**

It has come to light that because of the league in which Sawston United F.C. play in and the fact that they share the sports ground with Sawston Cricket Club there is a problem with an overlap at the end of the season. As neither of the Parish Council's alternative grounds match the criteria of the league rules, Sawston United F.C. have to play remainder of games outside the village due to the start of the cricket season.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Council by Councillor E C Murray and **SECONDED** by Councillor W N Reid that the Parish Council contact an architect to see what and how the Mill Lane Pavilion could be made suitable to meet the given criteria needed to allow Sawston United F.C. to play and also Sawston Rovers F.C. should they be promoted to a higher league at a later stage. The Architect would need to know that the Pavilion is in the Conservation Area and that the Parish Council would like it to be used all year round, not just for the football season.

**VOTE: 9 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **11 RUBBISH ENCLOSURES AT MILL LANE AND SPICERS**

It was reported that there were problems with foxes etc. tearing open the litter bags left at Mill Lane and Spicers for collection by SCDC.

The Clerk had obtained a quote from Tomlinson Steel Limited to purpose build 2 metal rubbish enclosures with hinged lids and mesh panels to both ends to house the rubbish awaiting collection at a cost of £530.00 + VAT. Research on the internet resulted in only plastic bins being found which would not be suitable.

It was **PROPOSED** to **RECOMMEND** to Full Parish by Councillor Dr D R Bard and **SECONDED** by Councillor R M Richmond to **ACCEPT** this quotation.

**VOTE: 9 FOR : (UNANIMOUS)**

## **12 CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **13 COUNCILLORS ISSUES AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING CONCERNING R & OS ONLY**

### **Footpath – Church Lane to Link Road**

Councillor W N Reid reported there were 2 bags of cuttings left on the footpath and wondered what was the procedure for removal? Councillor Dr D R Bard said they were the householder's responsibility but they had both now been removed.

**Meeting closed 8.10pm**