

Meeting: Playing Field Trust. Meeting
18th April 2023 at 7.00pm

Council Cllr. Phillipa Simms, Chair (PS)
Members in Cllr. Sarah Walker, Vice Chair (SW)
attendance: Cllr. Eric Cooper (EC)
Cllr. Jacky Fraser (JF)
Cllr. Ian Gaskin (IG)
Cllr. Paula Hurley (PH) (late arrival)
Cllr. John Keech (JK)
Cllr. Dora Ornithari (late arrival)
Cllr. Nigel Sparrow (NS)

Borough Council Cllr. Jane Walker (JW)
Member:

Clerk to the Rosemary Plum (RP)
Council:
Public Debra Aiken, Good Neighbour Scheme
Attendance 1 x Clapham Resident

MINUTES OF MEETING

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from:

- Cllr. Adrian Langley
- Cllr. Cicely Palmer
- Cllr. John Reid
- Cllr. Charlie Tomkins

Cllr Allan Prudham was not in attendance.

2. Declarations of Interest

None reported.

3. Open Forum

Nothing reported.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes were agreed as a true reflection of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

PROPOSED: Cllr Nigel Sparrow

SECONDED: Cllr Sarah Walker

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes (*for information only*)

Nothing reported.

6. Clerk's Report (*for information only*)

Nothing to report that isn't already on the Agenda this evening.

7. Playing Field

a) Tree Survey

- Booked with JDT Consultants for Monday 24th April 9:30am. NS will be in attendance.

b) Maintenance of Play Equipment

- c) Maintenance Person will carry out weekly visual checks pending confirmation from Insurers of the frequency required. A Parish Councillor will also be present.

RP

8. Football Club

- Residents complaints about late night antics of young adults Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th April including playing football in the car park and climbing on the roof of the Parish Council office.
- No parking available all day and cars driving in all directions at speed in the car park.
- Many young adults sitting in their car smoking and leaving rubbish including cans, bottles, litter in the car park.
- RP spoke with representative of Clapham FC who Confirmed there were adult football matches Saturday afternoon ending around 6pm and a lot of matches on Sunday morning and afternoon.
- Parish Council will speak to the football club requesting proper communications and a standard briefing be circulated to all away teams outlining acceptable behaviour in our village.
- AL to contact the Football League and report times if the unacceptable behaviour continues.

AL

9. Millennium Park

a) Update

- I. Covered by the Environment Committee report.
- II. PS/RP hosted a visit from Nichola Scholfield, Green Social Prescribing Officer from the Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity. BRCC may be able to get involved at different levels with ideas and suggestions for use of green open spaces in Clapham.
- III. BRCC also work with GP surgeries and community care centres for social prescribing.
- IV. BRCC can signpost the Parish to grant funding.

- V. Nichola very impressed with the green space amenities including Riverside Gardens, Allotments, Millennium Park, Dog Park and Playing Field and complimented all those involved in their upkeep.

10. Accounts to pay

a) Financial report and Payment of accounts

The accounts as presented were approved.

PROPOSED: Cllr Sarah Walker

SECONDED Cllr John Keech

11. Correspondence

None to report.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, 16th May 2023 at 7.30pm

in the Methodist Church Hall, Clapham, after the Annual Parish Meeting.

The meeting was closed by the Chair at 7.35pm

Signed as a true reflection of the meeting:

Signed		
Dated		<i>Chair</i>