

## Minutes of the Sparkford Playing Field Committee Meeting

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Present:	Apologies:
Marc Beale            Karen Jenkins Stuart Flood         Larry Piper Royston Piper        Alex Lawes	Steve Miles

### 1. Apologies

Apologies noted as above.

### 2. Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019 were agreed as an accurate record.

### 3. Previous Actions

Roundabout requires greasing. Weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> February, for anybody available. Sat PM looks best weather-wise. **Action – All**

Familiarisation visit to Somerton play park to follow greasing up. **Action – All**

1 off strimmer needs fixing – it needs a new pull cord and a safety switch. New pull cord to sourced. Marc to retrieve strimmer from garage – **MB to note.** **Action - SM**

No Dogs Allowed Sign. Larry to source sign from Tony. Additional contact address wording to be agreed. **Action - LP**

Price from Tony required for a pump track. To include skate park traits such as jumps, half pipe to drop into etc. **Action - RP/LP**

Karen contacted SSDC re. inspection frequency and charges. Response left unanswered questions, but overall recommendation was to monitor the equipment. Cost is £26.50 per quarterly inspection. Marc to ring Kenton Bourne to discuss further. **Action - MB**

PA was to be returned due to vibrations; now deemed acceptable (with reduced bass / Mr Bubbles). **Action Complete – MB**

The Charity Protect insurance is due for renewal on 30/11/19, yet no reminder has been received. Renewal required. The renewal had been sent to the wrong address.

**Action Complete – KJ**

### 4. Accounts

Following all costs for the Santa Sleigh, the balance is £9,765.

Cary Big Christmas requested bank details, but have yet to donate to Santa.

### 5. Maintenance Report

Faults to be monitored, particularly the split swing seat.

Invoice received for 2 off inspections. **PMN** – Cheque sent by Karen.

### 6. Events

A first aid kit was used for the Santa Sleigh. Similar kits to be put together for future events.

Larry advised that a defibrillator had been installed at the Village Hall. First Aid / Defibrillator training to be considered by SPFC members.

Easter Bingo – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Doors open at 6.00pm with eyes down at 6.30pm. Competition with prizes to be considered, such as best Easter bonnet. Karen offered to buy Easter Eggs. Donations required for raffle – **All to note.**

Duck Race – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Royston recommended starting at 1.30pm to encourage more people to the barbecue.

It's noted this is the 22<sup>nd</sup> year (Two Little Ducks).

Marc suggested more signage and advertising; to be considered.

Family Fun Day – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Confirm date with Playdays and request list of activities available. **Action - MB**

Royston suggested buying a Bouncy Castle. Cost to be investigated. The insurance policy appeared to cover bouncy castles. Robin Bull to be consulted. **Action – LP**

Parish Council Playdays contribution to be requested. **Action – MB**

Halloween Bingo – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020

To be arranged.

Halloween Disco – Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020

To be considered. Suggestions included free entry, barbecue and refreshments available to purchase, borrow lights from North Cadbury School.

**7. Play Equipment Development Plans**

Larry has recommended action soon in order to secure current S106 funding. Confirmation required from Lisa Davis of funds from Long Hazel, the Burrows, Haynes, Bennett's Close and Barrow Road developments? In addition, what are the trigger points for releasing the funds?

**Action - AL**

Larry asked if VAT had been considered in the costs / funding, which will require paying before claiming back, by either the SPFC or the Parish Council.

Previous plans and residents survey results to be retrieved from Lisa. Plans considered out of date; start afresh. **Action Closed - LP**

It's recalled that a Zip Wire was included in most responses.

Lappset play equipment – [www.lappset.com](http://www.lappset.com) worth taking a look when we start getting quotes for equipment. Modular type equipment. Companies to be e-mailed re. quotes. **PMN** – E-mails sent by Karen.

Play Equipment Meeting to be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. **PMN** – invitation sent.

**8. Any Other Business**

Marc had advised that the garage roof was leaking. Consideration to be given to repairing with a bitumen seal. Items removed from beneath leak, which is still leaking...

A 'New Village Hall Committee' has been set up, and is inviting members. Karen to represent the SPFC.

Parish Council Annual Maintenance Grant (£150) to be accepted. **Action – KJ**

Royston suggested buying an inflatable screen. **PMN** – Royston confirmed licenses start at £89.

Weed killer to be sourced – **SF to note.**

**9. Next Meeting**

To be confirmed following the Play Equipment meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February.