

## Minutes of the Sparkford Playing Field Committee Meeting

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021 held at 'Chez Pipers'

Present:		Apologies:
Karen Jenkins (Treasurer)	Larry Piper	Marc Beale (Chairman)
Stuart Flood	Marie Piper	
Royston Piper (part)	Alex Lawes (Secretary)	

### 1. Minutes from the Previous Meeting

Minutes from the meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> August 2021 were agreed as an accurate record.

### 2. Previous Actions

Sign materials to be claimed for, including Postcrete. **Action complete – Marc B**

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 – Marc B**

Agreement to use internet banking to be signed by all above (in spaces provided) and taken to the bank. **Action – Karen J**

Lappset quotations received. **Action complete – Marc B**

Basketball Court depression to be filled. **Action complete – Larry P**

Events Insurance to be renewed. **Action complete – Marc B**

Flyer to be created. To include invitation to join SPFC. **Action complete – Marc B**

Shade and/or shelter to be considered/investigated. **Action - Larry P**

### 3. Accounts

Current balance is £1,752.37 + £1,110.34 (to be paid in) + £213.70 (in cash tin).

### 4. Maintenance

Email received from Parish Council Clerk, re. concerns over recent SSDC inspection. Response to be provided, including photographs and evidence of deliberate defacement.

**Action - Stu F / Karen J**

Lappset meeting required to discuss work needed on existing equipment. **Action – Marc B**

It is assumed the Twines Close Buffer Zone payments go to the Parish Council. Confirmation required, and use for playing fields to be explored. **Action – Alex L**

Wicksteed Rocking Horse running boards to be replaced. **Action – Larry P**

Royston had previously suggested the main gate be considered for improvement / maintenance / replacement, as it grounds, and the spring is broken. Further discussion required.

Large stones to be removed from path's newly-placed hardcore – **All to note.**

### 5. Events

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

Larry has previously advised that a defibrillator had been installed at the Village Hall. First Aid / Defibrillator training to be considered by SPFC members. Karen and Royston have received defibrillator / first aid training and advised that the defibrillator was intuitive.

Royston had previously suggested buying an inflatable screen, and confirmed licenses start at £89. To be revisited in the future as necessary.

Bouncy Castle cost £1k - £4k depending on size. Insurance policy appears to cover bouncy castles.

It was agreed that the Open Day was a success, with a different atmosphere to previous years, so a similar format is to be considered in future, perhaps with other old-fashioned games (e.g. coconut shy).

### **Halloween Bingo – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

Hall and bingo machine availability to be confirmed. Current attendance numbers to be investigated. **Action – Karen J**

Flyer to be created. **Action – Marc B**

### **Santa Sleigh**

Substantial rain / damp damage; new design and construction required. **Action – Royston P**

PVC sheets and materials to be sourced. New Santa costume required. **Action – Larry P**

Additional elf suits to be considered.

Sleigh Dates in December to be confirmed, dependent on availability etc:

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> / Sun 5<sup>th</sup> - Castle Cary

Sat 11<sup>th</sup> - Castle Cary Big Christmas – Santa and elves already requested to attend.

TBD - Bruton

TBD - Sparkford

TBD - Ilchester

TBD - Queen Camel

TBD - North Cadbury

### **Duck Race**

Dog show to be considered for same event.

## **6. Development Plans**

Skate Park expected to cost about £25k.

Pedestrian gate or stile considered for far side of playing field adjacent to five-bar gate. Bristol 2in1 gate from FencingSupplies.co.uk 15' option is £337+VAT+delivery. The existing gate requires measuring. **Action – Stu F / Larry P**

**S106 contributions agreed to date:**

<b>Contributor</b>	<b>Amount / Comment</b>	<b>Trigger</b>
Longhazel Farm	Play Area - £25,464 for enhancing the play area.	50% of Play Area contributions to be paid prior to occupation of 25% of the dwellings – <b>This is now due.</b>  Remaining 50% to be paid prior to occupation of 50% of dwellings.
Land Os 4859 Part, Chapel Cross to Hazelgrove Roundabout Westbound	Youth Facilities - £833 towards 5-a-side goals at the playing field and commuted sum of £308 for long term maintenance of goals.  Equipped Play Areas - £4,244 towards provision of “Bird’s Nest” basket swing at the playing field and commuted sum of £2,451 for long term maintenance of swing.	Equipped Play and Youth Facilities contributions to be paid on or before date of 25% occupation of dwellings.
Land rear of Bennett Close	Equipped Play Space - £30,557 towards enhancing equipped play at the playing field and commuted sum of £17,650 towards the long-term maintenance of equipment.  Youth Facilities - £6,000 towards enhancing the capacity at the playing field and £2,218 towards long term maintenance of this.	Equipped Play and Youth Facilities contributions to be paid on or before date of 25% occupation of dwellings
The Burrows	Contributions thought to have been agreed, but not found.	Unknown.

Availability of S106 Funds now, and forthcoming, and also commutable sums to be checked.

**Action – Alex L**

**7. Any Other Business**

PMN – Date for AGM to be agreed – **all to note.**

**8. Next Meeting**

Wednesday TBD 2022.