MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SPORTS FIELD COMMITTEE OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON 18th NOVEMBER 2024 COMMENCING AT 7.26pm

Present: Councillors J Selley (Chair), A Vale (Vice-Chair), W Rudd, A Tebb and J Paxton (ex-officio)

In attendance: S Cowie (Assistant Clerk), C Callen (Clerk)

Minutes: S Cowie

- 24/269 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Councillor J Mikkelson.
- **24/270 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** Members were reminded of the procedures, there were no declarations of interest made.
- 24/271 MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

- 24/272 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPORTS FIELD COMMITTEE HELD ON 29th APRIL 2024 There were no queries. Councillor Selley PROPOSED approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on 29th April 2024, SECONDED by Councillor Tebb with 3 IN FAVOUR AND 2 ABSTENTIONS. The minutes were approved.
- 24/273 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE QUOTE FOR REPAIRS TO THE EMERGENCY LIGHTING AT THE PAVILION

No updates were available.

24/274 TO REVIEW THE PITCH FEES FOR THE 2025/26 SEASON

The draft pitch fees were reviewed. Following discussion Councillor Selley **PROPOSED** that the fees remain at the 2024/25 rate with no increase applied for the 2025/26 season. Councillor Vale **SECONDED** the proposal, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

24/275 REVIEW OF COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE FOR 2024/25 AND TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE DRAFT BUDGETS FOR 2025/26

The expenditure for 2024/25 was reviewed. The annual maintenance programme during the non-playing months included reseeding and an application of fertiliser and weed selective. The Groundsmen have completed repairs to the wooden perimeter fence and a section of the access road has also been replaced. Grass cutting is expected to rise next year and has been taken into consideration with the budget and a new ear mark reserve for security fencing and gates has been included due to ongoing issues of dog fouling and dogs off lead on the sports pitches.

Councillor Selley **PROPOSED** the approval of the draft 2025/26 Sports Field Income and Expenditure budgets, with a £15,620 committee precept. Councillor Tebb **SECONDED** the proposal, and it was **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

24/276 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA – for information only

The new lease for Barton Rovers FC is outstanding but unlikely to progress this year. The Clerk will look into a draft lease for discussion with the Club. Councillor Vale volunteered to join the Working Party to progress the negotiations.

There was no further business, and the meeting closed at 7.52pm.