

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SPORTS FIELD COMMITTEE
OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ONLINE
ON MONDAY 26th APRIL 2021 COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Councillors Mr J Selley (Chair), Mr J Paxton (Vice-chair), Mr J Roberts, Mr A Channon, Mrs B Thomas (ex-officio)

In attendance: Councillor Mrs G Gardner, Mrs S Cowie (Assistant Clerk)

Minutes: Mrs S Cowie

20/708 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None.

Councillor Channon advised that he would be joining the meeting a little late.

20/709 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None declared.

20/710 MATTERS ARISING

The one way floor stickers for the Pavilion had arrived and been installed.

Following investigation, the speed humps on the access road were found to be in a very poor condition. The Assistant Clerk is investigating the costs of like-for-like replacements.

Barton Rovers Football Club (BRFC) advised they are seeking permission to hold a CHUMS Fundraising event on 12th June. Members were in favour of the community event however formal approval would need to be considered at the Extra-ordinary meeting on 10th May. **ACTION: Item to be added to 10th May Extra-ordinary meeting agenda for consideration.**

BRFC advised that they are in the very early stages of organising an outside music event - 'Rovers Rocks'. The event would run on 10th July from 2pm – 10pm and be subject to the Covid rules in force at the time.

BRFC advised that they have been asked to host Ramsey Manor Football Clubs annual tournament at the end of May/beginning of June, subject to Covid restrictions. Matches would be played on Barton Rovers pitches.

Councillor Channon joined the meeting at 7.47 pm

20/711 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SPORTS FIELD COMMITTEE HELD ON 15th MARCH 2021

There were no queries on the minutes. Councillor Selley **PROPOSED** approval of the minutes of the committee meeting held on 15th March 2021, **SECONDED** by Councillor Roberts with **5 in favour and 1 abstention**. The minutes were approved.

20/712 TO CONSIDER/APPROVE THE COST OF SIGNAGE FOR THE SPORTS FIELD FACILITY

Further incidents of unauthorised use of the pitches had been reported. The latest involved a non-hiring team who set up nets and trained on one of the pitches. The Groundsman witnessed this and asked them to leave but they refused. They commented that there is no signage on display advising that pitches must be booked and that the gates were open. The gates are in constant use by other facilities so it is not possible to close them except after hours. Quotations for appropriate signage were then considered by members.

Following discussion Councillor Selley **PROPOSED** approval of the cost of £290.42 + VAT from Signs Express, Bedford to supply 4 metal signs and one metal post. Signs to be displayed at the Luton Road main entrance, Pavilion and two smaller signs on the wooden fence. The exact locations would be agreed once the signs have been received. Councillor Thomas **SECONDED** the proposal with **4 in favour and 2 abstentions**.

20/713 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA – for information only. There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 7.49 pm