

**EMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL
SPORTS & RECREATION COMMITTEE
Minutes of Meeting held at The Pavilion on
Friday 9th June 2023 at 7pm**

Present: Simon Harris - Chairman
Michael Bath
Norman Gillam
Andy Letts
Dennis Letts
Guy Palmer (Parish Council Representative)

Karen Goss – Clerk and RFO

To appoint a Chairman and Vice Chairman – Simon stated that he would agree to Chair the meeting.

Apologies for absence – There were no apologies for absence.

Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda – There were no declarations of interest.

1. **Minutes of Meeting held on the 14th April 2023** – The Minutes of the meeting held on the 14th April 2023 were agreed and signed by the Chair.
2. **Football**
 - 2.1 **To discuss teams for next season** – It was noted that Waterhall Stars had not paid their final invoice for the season nor indicated whether they wished to continue for the 2023/2024 season. The clerk to chase. **Action: KG.** The clerk to also speak to Olney to ascertain which teams will be playing. **Action: KG.** The clerk to contact The Dolphins FC to request that their keys are returned. **Action: KG.**
3. **Cricket**
 - 3.1 **To confirm fixtures for 2023 season** – The cricket fixtures were noted as were the issues with the matches and hirers of the pavilion. The issues surrounded the cricket teams accessing the pavilion during classes having previously been advised that they were not to do so. The clerk had emailed the respective teams to remind them of this. A discussion took place regarding the booking for MK Stallions on the 23rd July for a cricket match and fun day. The clerk to remind the hirer of the booking terms which had already been made clear to them. **Action: KG.**
4. **Tennis** – Nothing to report.
5. **ESSC update** – It was noted that the ESSC were in the process of arranging someone to look at building maintenance.

6. **Changing rooms/showers** – Andy reported that he had spoken to Dean Roberts for his advice on the changing rooms and to see if he would project manage this. **Action: AL.**
7. **Field maintenance** – Michael reported that everything was going well. Andy reported that he had sprayed the car park but it had been too windy to spray the field. A discussion took place regarding the portable goal posts on the field. The clerk to speak to Ian Stokes to see if these were required. **Action: KG.** Dennis reported that the sit on ride mower had been out of action for two weeks but parts had been ordered and it had been repaired.
8. **Waste disposal** – It was noted that the Rising Stars were leaving their rubbish at the pavilion. The clerk to contact the team and ask them to take it home. **Action: KG.** The clerk reported that Richard Laval, the Chair of ESSC was looking at Cawleys for waste disposal.
9. **Newport Pagnell Rotary remembering Gerald Mann (plaque for tree)** – The clerk reported that the plaque had been purchased and Michael had put this on the tree. Andy commented that the bench installed by Newport Pagnell Rotary was uneven and he would look at this. **Action: AL.**
10. **To receive the Receipts and Payments accounts** – It was noted that £400 in invoices was outstanding for adult football. A discussion took place and it was agreed that, going forward, a deposit would be requested from any new football teams that were unknown to the committee.
- Grant** – The clerk reported that there was an issue applying for the grant but that she would follow this up. **Action: KG**
11. **Committee concerns**
- Church fete** – It was noted that the SRC did not receive any income from the previous church fete despite making the field available on both the Saturday and Sunday and having to advise both football and cricket teams that the field was not available. The clerk to speak to the Chair of the ESSC regarding the fete for this year. **Action: KG.**
12. **Date of next meeting** – To be held on Friday 1st September at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 8pm