

A meeting of the Facilities and Recreation Committee was held in the Pavilion, Manor Park Sports Club, Hackthorn Road, Welton on Monday 20th May 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs A Lowen (Chairman), G Briggs, N Hornsey, D Pikett , A Bailey and Mr M Hubbert (Library Volunteers Co-ordinator) and Mr J Hodges (Chairman, Welton FC)

Also Present: Phil Westman, Matt Ward and Sarah Milligan (Welton Sports & Social Club)

Clerk: Mrs Louise Gibbs

A public participation session took place prior to the official start of the meeting.

- 24/05/13** Chairman's Remarks
The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Cllr Briggs for attending the Welton Football Club AGM.
- 24/05/14** Election of Vice-Chairman
Cllr Hornsey was elected Vice-Chairman proposed by Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs and **RESOLVED** all in favour.
- 24/05/15** Election of Non-Councillor Member Co-options
On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that Ms L Barnes (Welton Sports & Social Club), Mr M Hubbert (Welton Library) and Mr J Hodges (Welton FC) were co-opted as Non-Councillor members of the Committee.
- 24/05/16** Apologies
On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs, it was unanimously **RESOLVED** following a vote to accept apologies from Cllr Greenway having accepted his reason for absence.
- 24/05/17** Declarations of Interests
None
- 24/05/18** Minutes
On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Hornsey, it was **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote that the notes of the meeting held on 25th March 2024 were approved and signed as the minutes.
- 24/05/19** Clerk's Report
Library Revenue Grant – extended for another year to the 31st March 2025 @ £5,167.00
Community Resolution Payments – Final payment received
Welton & Dunholme Cricket Club – Email received thanking the Council for the use of Manor Park, but unfortunately, they have found other premises.
Possible drug taking at Manor Park has been reported to the Police and is being monitored.
Vandalism - Incident where glass bottles thrown and broken on MUGA, police reported that the fine had been paid.
Faulty outside Gym equipment – The faulty apparatus has been repaired by Kompan under the warranty.

24/05/20

Welton Sports & Social Club

Representative from the club gave an update.

- a) No report due to Ms Barnes being absent.
- b) The deposit has been paid for the fireworks.

No update on the path closure as Ms Barnes was not at the meeting.

A decision has not been made on the Fun Day.

Cllr Lowen proposed to move items 11 and 12 forward so that the representatives from Welton Sports & Social Club could leave the meeting, seconded by Cllr Briggs and **RESOLVED** all in favour.

24/05/21

Welton Football Club

a) Mr Hodges thanked Cllr Briggs for attending their AGM. The football season has finished and many matches had to be postponed due to the pitch being too wet to play. Matches had to be moved to other facilities at a cost to the Football Club. Questions from the Managers regarding reimbursement of the costs to the club for the disruption to play this season were put forward for the next agenda for discussion.

b) Cllr Lowen gave an update on the meeting held with Luke Craggs from the County Football Association.

Manor Park

In order to apply for funding from the Football Foundation for Drainage Funding

1. A feasibility study is required.
2. Following a feasibility study being carried out, two quotations would be required.
3. Photographs of the pitches, indicating the problem to be resolved via the proposed works.
4. A PitchPower assessment report (already carried out)
5. Plans/drawings/specification/schedule of works.
6. Two like for like quotations from an experienced contractor.

Evidence of partnership funding (i.e. Football Club/Parish Council)

The Football Foundation will fund up to 70% of the works.

The cost of the feasibility study can be claimed back if the grant application is successful.

Ryland Road - Grass Pitch Maintenance Grant

This fund is a six-year tapered grant to help eligible organisations enhance or sustain the quality of their grass pitches.

1. A PitchPower assessment report (The County Association can do this for £100)
This recommends the maintenance works required before applying.
2. Payments would be made annually in advance and applicants will need to provide ongoing, twice yearly PitchPower inspection over the following ten-year period.
Applications are accepted to purchase materials and engage professional contractors over a six year period to increase the levels of maintenance works carried out on their grass pitches, with the aim of improving the quality of those grass pitches to the Grounds Management Association good standard or above. These grants will be tapered over a six-year period. A reduced percentage of the initial grant value will be paid every two years with the eligible organisation making up the difference. (Football Club/Parish Council).

Works to be funded include: -

Slitting – Contractor works

Scarification – contractor works.

Decompaction – contractor works.

Selective Herbicide (weed treatment) – contractor works.

Fertiliser - contractor works and purchase of materials.

Overseeding – contractor works – and purchase of materials.

Top dressing – contractor works – and purchase of materials.

Soil sampler – purchase of a soil sampler

The hiring of maintenance machinery for works that have been recommended in your PitchPower report.

Possible grant available (£3200 for an 11 x 11 pitch) if PitchPower report states that the pitch is basic or below standard.

Luke is submitting a pre application to the football foundation so they are aware that grant applications will be submitted.

c) Two quotations for a feasibility study have been received.

On a proposal from Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Lowen and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to instruct STRI to carry out the feasibility study on Manor Park.

d) The review of the Football Club Service Level Agreement was deferred to the next meeting in order for Mr Hodges to discuss it with his deputy.

24/05/22

Ryland Road Playing Field

On a proposal from Cllr Lowen, seconded by Cllr Briggs and **RESOLVED** by a unanimous vote to instruct Lincolnshire Football Association to carry out the PitchPower report at Ryland Road in order for the Council to apply for the Grass Maintenance Fund Grant.

24/05/23

General Finance Matters

Members received and noted the financial report to 30th April 2024.

24/05/24

Facilities Matters

a) Maintenance

Options for replacing the water heater at Manor Park were discussed.

Clerk to obtain quotations for all options and grants available for the next meeting.

b) Security/Incidents:

None

24/05/25

Library & Community Hub Matters

a) The committee received details of income and expenditure to 30.04.2024.

b) Mr Hubbert reported that the events at the library have been very successful and that the book borrowing is at a good level.

24/05/26

Councillors Reports

Mr Hubbert requested that a television advertisement screen be considered for the library as a future agenda item. Mr Hubbert to give the Clerk suggestions for the next meeting.

Signed:

Date: