

# **BARWICK in ELMET and SCHOLES PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES of a meeting of the SCHOLES PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE**

Held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at Scholes Sports Pavilion.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Claire Hassell (Chair), Graham Slater, Karen Dales, Phil Maude and Stella Walsh together with representatives Josie Hall (Bowling), Gary Proctor (Cricket) and the Clerk.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mark Sirrell (Cricket), Jon Bliss (Scouts), Colin Smith and Kirsty Spaven (Tennis).

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

### **3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 having been circulated be confirmed as a correct record and that the Chair be authorised to sign.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Since the last meeting, an approach has been made to Scouts regarding the fitting of a secondary water meter, they are happy to fit it if the Parish Council supplies the equipment. Bowls already have a meter in their toilets. Cricket confirmed that they were willing to have a secondary meter.

## **5 CLUB REPORTS**

### **5.1 Scouts**

Scouts were not represented but had sent a written report as attached.

It was reported that one of the Scouts has been appointed Keeper of the Flame as part of his Duke of Edinburgh award which involves looking after the Peace Monument and keeping it clear of weeds. It was suggested that Scouts use the newsletter to appeal for volunteers by submitting a precis of their report and that this could also be put on the Facebook page.

### **5.2 Cricket Club**

Cricket reported that the ground had played well this season and that preparation for next season was under way. An aerator had been bought out of funding from the Festival Fund. They had lost four first-team players and this had led to them struggling to field a second team. It had been decided at an extra-ordinary general meeting to just field one team next season. There are no juniors. They had hosted the Hare Cup Final (under fifteens). The Wetherby League is struggling and will reduce down to three divisions to keep it meaningful. The Clerk would send cricket contact information for newsletter contributions.

### **5.3 Bowling Club**

Bowling Club reported a shortage of members. There used to be two Thursday afternoon teams (veterans). They now don't have enough for two teams but too many for the remaining team. There are two ladies' teams and seven in the 'A' team. The team in the Cross Gates league have been promoted and the men's 'A' team won the pairs section. The greenkeeper has done a great job. There were concerns that bowling club would not be sustainable without younger interest given the age profile of the existing membership. Scouts had been introduced to bowling but this didn't develop any further interest in any of them. A few new ladies have joined.

#### **5.4 FC Scholes**

It was reported that FC Scholes had not signed their agreement and had decided not to pursue their interest in the football pitch or pavilion. They had put up some goalposts and concreted them in. It was reported that a previous set of goalposts had been cut down but part of the posts remained just below the surface of the pitch.

#### **5.3 Tennis Club**

It was noted that since the last Playing Fields committee meeting, Tennis had surrendered their lease.

### **6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- There was a suggestion that there be a standing item in the newsletter listing contacts for each club.
- Keys for the car park barrier were sought – bowling club captains each have a set.
- The need to improve drainage on the football pitch was noted.
- There was a proposal to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020 with a community picnic centered on Rakehill Road. Cricket expressed concern that proposed fairground rides on the football pitch could mean vehicular damage to the outfield.

### **7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020 7:30 p.m. at Scholes Sports Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm

Chair

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020