

BENTLEY PLAYING FIELD SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE PLAYING FIELD SOCIETY MEETING HELD AT BENTLEY VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2022 BEFORE THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - AT 7.00 PM

Present

Chairman- Cllr M Munday Mrs J Scott – Clerk Cllr B Feltwell Cllr N Moxey
Cllr M Bamford Cllr J Wheals Cllr P Cross Cllr K Spicer

Also present - Tree Warden,

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm Cllr Munday welcomed everyone to the meeting. A risk assessment had been carried out for 9 Councillors and up to 24-28 members of the public with seating 1 metre apart.

1. **To Record Apologies for Absence** – Cllr C Perry & Footpath Warden
2. **To approve minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3 February 2022** - The minutes were approved as a true record and duly signed.

Proposed Cllr M Bamford Seconded Cllr N Moxey All in favour CU

3. **Matters arising from the minutes.** No matters arising all covered by Agenda items.
4. **To receive Report from Maritime to include – State of pitch since deep aeration treatment of the field & Progress of the access via the School Entrance** - Report received and circulated to Councillors – **Appendix 1** in the Minute Book. The deep aeration treatment seems to be working – provided the rain is not torrential it holds up well and everyone is very impressed. The entrance on the School Field has been on hold over the winter due to the condition of the ground but Maritime have kept up regular contact with the school and the Chairman. An access road has been installed through the gate to prevent cars getting stuck. The Clubs Season finishes mid June and does not start again until the first week of August. The parking area will be completed during this period so a long term reliable parking area for thirty cars will be in place for the 2022 winter. The report gives an update on the Club's progress – priority is still given to local children before recruiting further afield – also a local resident volunteer has remained involved following the conclusion of their Duke of Edinburgh award – the Village litter bin is emptied regularly (including the dog waste!!!), the Parish's goal posts have been repositioned, Maritime continue to work closely with the Primary school and more work is planned this summer (scarifying, top dressing etc) to enhance the field further.

Tree Warden said there were two deep puddles on the playing field – these will be investigated, the areas identified and monitored case we need to get back to Terrain Aeration.

Cllr Bamford told the meeting he had purchased a combination lock for the field gate – which had disappeared within a week. He had since purchased a more robust lock with two keys – One is at the shop – Cllr Munday will have the other one.

5. **To discuss access to Playing Field via Case Lane - Cllr** Perry had asked for this to be an agenda item – she had received a complaint regarding the access of the lane and the blocking of other people's access – re ongoing building work at 4 Case Lane. In Cllr Perry's absence this item was deferred.
6. **Gym Equipment on Field – Update** - Cllr Munday informed the meeting that we have now had confirmation from Babergh District Council that our S106 application has been successful and because of that our CIL application should be successful. Also, the Neighbourhood portion of CIL Receipts between 1 October 2021 and 31 March 2022 for Bentley Parish is £7,244.13.
7. **To discuss the possibility of electric power on the Playing Field** – Deferred
8. **Any Other Business** - None.
9. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – Thursday 9 June 2022 before Parish Council Meeting. There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.23 pm.