

BENTLEY PLAYING FIELD SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE PLAYING FIELD SOCIETY MEETING HELD AT BENTLEY VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 6 APRIL 2023 AT 7.00 PM - BEFORE THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING -

Present

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

Also present - Tree Warden, Footpath Warden & Speedwatch Co-Ordinator

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm – The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **To Record Apologies for Absence** –, Cllr D Schumacher & Cllr P Cross
2. **To approve minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2 March 2023** - The minutes were approved as a true record and duly signed.

Proposed Cllr M Bamford` Seconded Cllr K Spicer All in favour CU

3. **Matters arising from the minutes.** No matters arising all covered by agenda items
4. **Gym Equipment** – To discuss purchase of fencing/Bramble Clearance/Re-seeding – Footpath Warden told the meeting a lot of the brambles had died there are only some in the hedge. As it was half term the grass which has patches of dock and nettles had not been done. Cllr Munday will look at the text for the additional sign. Clerk will send text from Safety Report 2022.

Action: Clerk to send text from Safety Report

5. **To discuss purchase of equipment for events** – Footpath Warden told the meeting he had not yet purchased the 10 tables and 5 cash boxes which had been agreed at the last meeting. He wanted to buy some pop-up gazebos and it was agreed that he could spend £2K from the Fun Day Tracker account – this will be voted on at the following Parish Council meeting.
6. **Company of Merrie Folk – Update** - The Clerk read out Cllr Moxey's report – Not much to report - early planning is coming along. The dog show is booked, as are hay bales, PA system, tables and chairs. I have some concerns about canvas that Tim's efforts might solve... Russ Taylor, from next to Bluegates farm (the Master Archer) has taken publicity on, I'm happy to say.

Cllr Moxey arrived at the meeting

7. **Any Other Business - Cllr Wheals** - wanted to know if the gym equipment had been advertised in the Bentley Bugle- he was told the equipment was being well used. **Cllr Spicer** – told the meeting about a parking problem when a wake was held at the pub – no one could get onto the field – she was told that parking on the field was not encouraged following the drainage work done by Terrain Aeration. **Cllr Moxey** - will arrange access for the Company of Merrie Folk. **Cllr Feltwell** – Lease we are talking about with the school is about sharing maintenance costs of the field – **Tree Warden** – Problem with dog bin on the Playing Field – it is provided for dogs that visit the field with their owners - not for those who are passing the field when walking the footpath or for people who take their dog poo bags collected in their garden and place them in the container on the playing field,
8. **Date and Time of Next Meeting** – Thursday 8 June 2023 before Parish Council Meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.