

**Minutes of the Meeting of Winterton-on-Sea Playing Field Management Committee  
Wednesday 8 January 2020 7pm Winterton Village Hall**

**Present:**

Marie Hartley  
John Smithson  
Tom Whichelow (Cricket Club)  
Ben Utting (Cricket Club)  
Stacey Kent (Parish Clerk)

**Apologies:** Mark Bobby

**1. Election of Chairman**

Marie Hartley was elected as Chairman, proposed by John Smithson, seconded by Tom Whichelow, all in favour.

**2. Apologies**

There were apologies noted from Mark Bobby.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

Marie Hartley declared an interest as a member of Winterton Cricket Club.

**4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 October 2019 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

**5. Changing Rooms Electricity Supply**

Tom gave an update on the electricity situation and confirmed it had been turned off.

**6. Changing Rooms Project**

An update was given on the history of the plans to replace the changing rooms, noting that plans for a brick building had been drawn up but were withdrawn from the planning process. Different options had been considered, and the previous Clerk had been asked to go out for expressions of interest for a pre-fabricated solution.

It was acknowledged that a short term solution was required for the 2020 cricket season and that this would require recertification of the electrics and patching of the leaking roof whilst further and thorough investigation had been conducted.

Discussion ensued on different uses of the facilities, and whether other sports could be attracted, making funding more viable. It was confirmed that no grant applications had been made as the Council had not been at the stage where it was in receipt of anything more than estimated costs based on floor size.

The Parish Council still needed to confirm whether there was, ultimately, an appetite for the entire project to be funded through the precept.

It was confirmed that the Cricket Club was happy to contribute by undertaking some fund raising.

Discussion ensued on the possibility of running a facility from the area of the Bowls Club and tapping into their drainage. It was not clear whether they were on mains drainage and it was noted that they had been approached previously but were not responsive to suggestions of sharing facilities.

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It was felt that second hand options could be explored, including a porta-cabin which could be kitted out. It was felt that the project should be broken down into demolition, drainage and installation of replacement. John Smithson had not yet been given a price for demolition the Clerk offered assistance. The Clerk noted that as the whole project would roll up to over £25,000, it would have to go out to tender on Contracts Finder.

JS

Clerk

It was suggested that a budget of around £50,000 should be considered for delivery of the entire project including drainage. Marie Hartley **agreed** to speak again with Vauxhall Mallards regarding their second hand facility which was available. It was **agreed** that the target for the new facility would be April 2021 completion. It was agreed that no decisions would be made without consultation within the village.

MH

JS

John Smithson agreed to talk to the Bowls Club to check the water had been turned off , to look at the septic tank and look to invite members of the club onto this committee.

The electrical inspection is required for the end of March 2020.

Clerk

#### 7. **Cricket Club Update**

Ben Utting reported that the grass cutting had improved since the contractor was asked to focus on the area up to the boundary for the shorter cuts.

He identified the need for the grass to be cut again by the end of March 2020 to comply with league status. First match is to begin in mid April. .

Clerk

#### **Next Meeting**

Wednesday 8 April 2020 7pm Winterton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.59pm.

**CHAIRMAN**

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