

**Minutes of the Meeting of Winterton-on-Sea Playing Field Management Committee  
Wednesday 9 October 2019 7pm Winterton Village Hall**

**Present:** Mark Bobby  
Marie Hartley  
Gordon Jewell  
John Smithson  
Tom Whichelow (Cricket Club)  
Ben Utting (Cricket Club)  
Catherine Moore (Parish Clerk)

**Also in attendance:** Three members of the public.

**1. Election of Chairman**

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

**2. Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence.

**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 3rd July 2019 were **agreed** and signed by the Chairman.

**5. Electricity Provider**

The Clerk noted that the Village Hall electricity had recently been moved to Bulb, with a significant saving in costs. It was **agreed** to consider this for the playing field when the Eon contract was due for renewal in May 2020.

**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history of the plans to replace the changing rooms, noting that plans for a brick building had been drawn up but were withdrawn from the planning process.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 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.

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, most likely by a loan over a period of years. 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 **agreed** that Tom Whichelow and Ben Utting would arrange for the roof repair, with a budget of £100. Once this was completed, the Clerk would arrange for the electrical certification.

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It was felt that second hand options could be explored, including a portacabin which could be kitted out. It was felt that the project should be broken down into demolition, drainage and installation of replacement. John Smithson **agreed** to get a price for demolition. 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**

Gordon Jewell **agreed** to speak with Horning Sailing Club to find out where they got their container from.

**GJ**

It was felt that the newsletter should carry a update on the current position of the project.

**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.

**MH**

#### **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. It was noted that the Bowls Club had a ride on mower which could be loaned to the Cricket Club to complete the first cut and collect.

It was noted that the large container was owned by the Cricket Club, and it was **agreed** that the small container would be retained for now.

#### **8. Public Participation**

A member of the public noted that they were not happy with the original proposals which were supplied to only two properties by Great Yarmouth Borough Council. They felt that the plans and proposals should be made available on the parish notice boards.

#### **9. Next Meeting**

Wednesday 8th January 2020 7pm, Winterton Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

**CHAIRMAN**

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