

## STORRINGTON & SULLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Recreation and Property Committee held in The Chanctonbury Room, The Parish Hall, Thakeham Road, Storrington, on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 commencing at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:** Mr B Dent in the Chair, Mr A Head, Mr R Hurley and Mr S Matthews,

**Also Present:** Mrs L Hansing, Mrs S Sadler, Mr D Bentley  
Mr M Wroe (Storrington Community Football Club)

50. **Apologies for Absence.** Were received and **ACCEPTED** from Cllrs. Wheatley and Worthington-Leese (Unwell).
51. **To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members.** There were no declarations of interest.
52. **To Approve and Sign the Minutes of the last Meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022.** The minutes were duly **APPROVED** as being a correct record of the proceedings of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.
53. **Clerk's Update.** No matters were raised

With the agreement of the meeting, Mr Dent brought the following item forward and using Chairman's discretion, allowed Mr Wroe to participate in the discussion.

54. **Storrington Community Football Club (SCFC) Tournament – 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May – Request to use Hormare Field for parking.** Members have recently been advised of the Football Club's intention to host a youth tournament involving up to 80 teams over this two day period. Concerns had been raised that the Club appeared to be quite far along with its plans but had breached the terms of its lease by not obtaining formal consent from the Parish Council to hold this event.

Mr Wroe explained that he was a member of SCFC's Senior and Junior committees and had been tasked to organise the tournament. Members were advised that Similar events had been held prior to the pandemic and Mr Wroe had not been informed by the Club that it was necessary to obtain permission from the Parish Council. He believed he had advised the Clerk of his plans but unfortunately, the email address used was invalid and his message had not been followed up.

Members expressed their extreme disappointment at SCFC's apparent disregard for the terms of the lease agreement and the Clerk was instructed to write to the Club Chairman to request that all members of its committees should be reminded of these terms which must be adhered to.

Turning to the matter of the upcoming tournament, some Members had previously expressed views that this should be cancelled as permission had not been sought but others were hesitant to take this action which would only impact upon the children involved. Mr Dent Proposed, Seconded Mr Matthews and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.**

***That the Tournament should go ahead but that the Clerk would need to be satisfied that the appropriate Risk Assessment, Event management Plan, Insurance and Licensing documentation had all been provided.***

The Clerk would liaise with Mr Wroe to ensure this documentation was obtained.

55. **Public Participation – Members of the Public may comment on items on the agenda.** No further matters were raised.
56. **Chanctonbury Leisure Centre – Progress Report.** Members had been provided with the latest monthly progress reports from the Leisure Centre.
57. **Play equipment Maintenance – Update.** Members were advised that the safety surfacing works had now been completed. The various repairs to equipment at both playgrounds had yet to be scheduled but the Clerk was in constant contact with Proludic to resolve this as soon as possible.
58. **Youth Provision – Update on “Project Storrington.”** Members had been furnished with a copy of the notes from a recent meeting of various groups and organisations associated with Youth Provision. The aims of the group are to reduce the level of youth related anti-social behaviour, to encourage young people to engage in positive activities within the community in order to dispel any perceptions of them as trouble makers. The Clerk is in the process of producing an audit of facilities and services currently available within the parish and the group is planning a consultation exercise in an effort to identify any gaps which could be filled.  
Members would be kept informed of the group’s progress.
59. **West Sussex Youth Offending Service – Community Payback Scheme – To Consider potential activities to be undertaken.** The Clerk had recently met with the Group’s Co-ordinator, Paul Wood, to discuss ways in which the Parish Council benefit from the Community Payback Scheme and she had drawn up a list of potential jobs to be undertaken around the Parish. Members were invited to put forward additional ideas which would be collated and passed onto Mr Wood.
60. **Documents for Councillors to Read.** There were no documents.
61. **Chairman’s Announcements.** No Matters were raised.
62. **Adjournment.** No Matters were raised.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10 pm