

## SHEPHERDSWELL RECREATION GROUND FORUM

### Minutes of a meeting held at La Sorne, Approach Rd on Wednesday 6 September 2017 at 7:15pm

#### **PRESENT:**

Shepherdswell with Coldred Parish Council: Cllr C White (Chairman)

Shepherdswell Spartans FC: Apologies

Youth Football: M Hayter, M Lloyd Yates

Cricket Club: R Webster

Scout Hut: None

Residents Association: Apologies

1. **Apologies:** M Pascall, S Fagg
2. **Minutes of the last meeting:** Minutes of the 28 June 2017 were approved as a true record
3. **Matters arising from the minutes:** None

#### 4. **Reports:**

**Cricket Club:** The club has fixtures to the end of September. A potential clash with Youth Football was identified (post meeting note – this has been resolved and the cricket team will be playing away). A Practice net has been purchased (see below). The track prepared for the youth has been used on a regular basis during the season by a variety of youngsters.

The undergrowth around the edge of the Rec and around the container had been carried out by Harmers.

The meeting agreed to make a further request to the Parish Council that the undergrowth by the container be cut back again, that the whole of the recreation ground and area around container be treated with weed killer in the early spring and that strimming around the edge of the recreation ground be continued. RW to pass on request to Parish Clerk

**Spartans FC:** Nothing to report

**Youth Football:** The club has 3 different age group teams each requiring a different size pitch. Concern was expressed about the marking of a pitch to the side of the cricket square. MH and MLY to look at the possible use of coloured line marker so that one pitch can be marked out on top of another pitch at the end of the cricket square leaving the area to the side of the square unmarked.

The club would like to site a small container, preferably adjacent to the Spartans changing room to store their equipment. This would need to be approved by the Parish Council after consultation with SF.

The club would like to purchase a set of goal posts. The possibility of the Parish Council providing some financial support was discussed and CW advised that a

written proposal would be required and presented to the Parish Council, via the Clerk, in advance of a meeting so that it could be placed on the agenda for decision making.

**Scout Hut:** No report

**Residents Association:** Nothing to report

**5. Recreation Ground Matters:**

- a) There had been some damage to the Youth Shelter and the Police had been informed.

**6. Sports Clubs Changing Room Plans:**

Little to report. MH had alerted SF to a possible source of funding. SF is exploring other areas of funding. The meeting was reminded that an eye needed to be kept on the planning permission deadline and work commenced prior to that date.

**7. Cricket Club Nets**

The Parish Council had agreed to match fund the purchase of a fold away practice net for use by the Youth section and the adults up to a sum of £1250. The club had been given a generous grant by Coldred Cricket club to help meet part of the cost of the net. The order has been placed and delivery is expected 11<sup>th</sup> September. The Parish Council agreed that the club be allowed to secure, with padlocks, the nets to the basketball court 'netting' when not in use.

**8. Any other business:** None

**9. Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 29 November 2017, 7:15pm at La Sorne, Approach Rd.

**10. Closure of meeting:** 8:20pm