



# HADDENHAM Parish Council

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## MINUTES

### SPORTS FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 19.00

Conference Room, Parish Council offices

**Members Present:** Cllr J Wheeler, Cllr D Truesdale, Mr R Mott (Table Tennis), Mr J Cliffe (Cricket)  
**Deputy Clerk:** Emma Marsden  
**Members of public:** Mr K Johnson deputising for Mr Alex Wagstaff (Youth Football), Mr Gary Wade deputising for Mr Tim Finch (The Whistler)

#### SF26 25 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr J Brown, Cllr D Hoare, Mr A Wagstaff., Mr T Finch, Mr A Baldwin and Mr B Wilson.

#### SF26 26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

#### SF26 27 MINUTES

The minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

#### SF25 28 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE – WOODWAYS AND AIRFIELD

The Deputy Clerk gave information on the grounds maintenance which had been undertake over the Spring and Summer period. It was **NOTED** that this had been a very dry summer and the sports pitches have suffered with minimal grass cover. Concern was expressed that the lack of grass at the beginning of the football season was not ideal and whether the pitches would last. The Deputy Clerk advised the committee that the Berks and Bucks Football Association - Regional Pitch specialist - was reviewing the pitches in the Autumn and any recommendations – along with Pitch Power assessments - would be used to decide whether the planned Autumn maintenance was sufficient.

It was **NOTED** that the Airfield had been treated with the Earthquake machine to assist with decompaction of the soil.

#### SF25 20 WOODWAYS GENERAL MAINTENANCE

The Deputy Clerk reported that a seat cover had been broken in the ladies toilet. The Whistler was aware of who was responsible and was so-ordinating a repair.

The Deputy Clerk advised the Committee that a contractor had been appointed to replace the individual urinals with an urinal trough. The installation would commence shortly.

***Mr J Cliffe joined the meeting at 19:20***

#### SF25 21 ASTON ROAD PAVILION AND CRICKET GROUND

The Deputy Clerk reported that a meeting has been held with Dandara in regards to concerns expressed by the ECB Regional Pitch advisor. It was **AGREED** with Dandara that they would meet with Agripower and all of the recommendations from their report would be undertaken. This maintenance including watering and would cover the period from September 25 until March 27. It was further **AGREED** that regular

updates on the maintenance from Dandara would be provided this period. Following further inspections by the ECB, the Parish Council would look to adopt the cricket ground in the Spring of 27 with the view for cricket to be played that season.

**SF25 22 REPORTS FROM SPORTS CLUBS AND THE WHISTLER**

to receive an update on the sports clubs and The Whistler.

- (i) Haddenham United – no report
- (ii) Haddenham Youth Football Club – Reported that the Annual tournament was a great success with 150 teams entered. The club has grown with an increase of U12 boys teams and girls teams. There is a new Treasurer and a handover was currently taking place. There has been incidents of disquiet from some parents regarding the new parking restrictions at the Airfield Pavilion. HYFC had made lots of communication to parents about the changes. Cllr Truesdale advised that there were issues at Banks Park as well when the parking restrictions were first introduced, but it had settled down as users became familiar with the procedure. It is hoped that this will also happen at the Airfield Pavilion, but the Council have agreed to monitor the situation.
- (iii) Haddenham Cricket Club – The annual women's and girl's tournament was a success. The club continues to have a large youth membership with Friday (All Stars) evening being very busy.
- (iv) Haddenham Tennis Club - No report.
- (v) Haddenham Table Tennis Club – The table tennis is returning in September with two teams on a Tuesday evening
- (vi) The Whistler – Paul is the new steward and has now finished his handover with Abi - who is leaving the Committee at the end of September. Three new screens have been installed over the bar area which shows sport and advertising.

**SF24 40 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON NEXT AGENDA**

Monitoring of the Airfield Car Park. An update on the future of the Woodways Pavilion and recreation ground.

**SF24 41 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**CLOSURE OF THE MEETING**

With all the business transacted the meeting was closed at 7.50pm

Signed: .....

Chair

Date: .....