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MINUTES

SPORTS FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 20th May 2025 at 19.00

Conference Room, Parish Council offices

Members Present: Cllr J Wheeler, Cllr D Truesdale, Mr B Wilson (Tennis), Mr R Mott (Table Tennis), Mr T Finch (The Whistler), Mr A Baldwin (Adult Football)

Deputy Clerk: Emma Marsden

Members of public: Mr K Johnson deputising for Mr Wagstaff (Youth Football)

SF26 1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was **NOTED** that Cllr J Wheeler had been appointed as Chair of Facilities and Sporting Facilities at the Parish Council's Annual Council Meeting.

SF26 2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr J Brown be appointed Vice Chair of the Sporting Facilities Committee.

SF26 3 CONFIRMATION OF CO-OPTION TO SPORTING FACILITIES COMMITTEE 25/26

It was **RESOLVED** that the following representatives remain co-opted onto the Sporting Facilities Committee for 25/26 season.

Ashley Baldwin (HUFC)

Joel Cliff (HCC)

Bev Wilson(HTC)

Tim Finch (The Whistler)

Roger Mott (HTT)

Alex Wagstaff (HYFC)

SF26 4 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr J Brown, Mr J Cliffe and Mr A Wagstaff.

SF26 5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Kidby declared an interest that he was a sponsor of Haddenham United.

SF26 6 MINUTES

The minutes of the 11th March 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

SF26 7 SPORTING FACILITIES TERMS OF REFERENCE

There has been no amendments to the Terms of Reference for 25/26 season. This was **NOTED**.

SF26 8 WOODWAYS PAVILION IMPROVEMENTS

The consideration of The Whistler playing low level music outside was discussed. Mr Finch outlined that there was requests from members of The Whistler to provide outdoor music and as there wasn't currently a provision for music, members would start to bring their own speakers. There was much discussion regarding the music and how it would be monitored with support from some committee members whilst others were against the proposal. It was suggested a more formal proposal may be the way forward which gave details on the days, times and level of noise (decibels) and consultation with neighbouring

properties would be useful. Councillors expressed that they had no objection to music within The Whistler but had reservations regarding outside music as it is an open public space. However, should music be played in 'one off' situations – such as special events, that would more acceptable as residents would know it was an event on a certain date, for a certain amount of time.

The Deputy Clerk explained the final decision would need to be considered at the Facilities Committee on 2nd June.

SF26 9 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE – WOODWAYS AND AIRFIELD

- (i) The Deputy Clerk gave information that a meeting had been held with the Football and Cricket Clubs to discuss whether the Parish Council will continue to provide specialist pitch maintenance or return that responsibility to the sports clubs. It was a positive meeting and it was resolved for the Parish Council to continue with the maintenance. Areas raised included, possible leak from the cricket water pipe which could be causing water logging, working with Bucks and Berks FA on obtaining advice on the football pitches and reviewing the costs for developing the Mill End Road pitch so it could be adult size. This was **NOTED**.
- (ii) The Pitch Power report for Woodways had been circulated to Football Clubs. The pitches were classified Good or Advanced. The next Pitch Power assessment for the Airfield would be done after the Beer Festival. This was **NOTED**.

SF26 10 WOODWAYS GENERAL MAINTENANCE

- (i) The Legionnaires Folder is Woodways but isn't as up to date as it should be. The Deputy Clerk as to be told if sports clubs were struggling to ensure the showers were run once a week. This has now moved to the Cricket Club to do.
- (ii) Unfortunately there was an incident with the urinals blocking. The Whistler has requested for a list of suppliers and an agreed procedure on how to cope with emergencies, out of office hours. A list has been received, but information is required on the procedure. The Deputy Clerk will confirm and send through. A note of thanks was recorded for the Facilities Manager for his assistance to the sports clubs and The Whistler.

SF25 11 CONTAINERS

The Deputy Clerk explained that other projects were taking priority at the moment and the future of Woodways working group would be organised in April when a new member of staff had started and there were less office pressures.

SF25 39 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 – now up to 425 players and 20 teams. This includes a pan disabled team alongside other local football clubs. Expansion is an issue as they are at capacity. It was **NOTED** the club awards for HYFC will be held on 27th April.
- (iii) Haddenham Tennis Club – The club is over-subscribed and at full capacity. The introduction of Pickle ball on the mini courts is proving popular. A note of thanks for all the scrub clearance around the courts. Had the shingle had been replaced along the mini courts.
- (iv) Haddenham Table Tennis Club – No report
- (v) The Whistler –Patio cleaning completed. Advertising for a new Bar Steward. Membership is now 900 with members from Chinnor, Princes Risborough and High Wycombe. With a lot of people using the main entrance. It was requested if CCTV could be installed in the Main Entrance area and in the Function Room which the view looking towards the fire exit dor. It was **AGREED** for Sports Clubs to check with their Safeguarding Officers and the Facilities Manager would obtain quotes for consideration by the Facilities Committee.
- (vi) Haddenham Cricket Club – Continued growth within the Junior Section and have senior Men's and Women's Teams. There were approximately 250 children who enjoy the Allstars programme on a

Friday evening.

SF24 40 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON NEXT AGENDA

None

SF24 41 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

9th September, 2nd December 2025, 17th March 2026

CLOSURE OF THE MEETING

With all the business transacted the meeting was closed at 8.20pm

Signed:

Chair

Date: