



Minutes of the Wellow Recreation AGM held on Tuesday 26th March 2019 at 7.30pm in the Wellow Sports Pavilion

Present: Beth Jackson - Chair
Mike Clarkson - Treasurer
Bea Dowty – Secretary
Debbie Clarkson – PC Representative
Lyn Doman – Village Hall Representative
Kathryn Black - Webmaster

Plus: 15 members of the public

1. Apologies: Peter Gaines

2. 2018 AGM minutes - Agreed

3. Chairperson's Report See appendix 1

3.1 What's been happening on the sports field during 2018/19

3.2 Additional highlights

4. Treasurer's Report See Appendix 2

5. Election of 2019 Trustees

- Beth Jackson - Proposed: Mike Clarkson Seconded: Rachel Kotchie
- Katherine Black - Proposed: Beth Jackson Seconded: Lyn Doman
- Mike Clarkson - Proposed: Bea Dowty Seconded: Beth Jackson
- Lyn Doman – Nominated: appointed by Village Hall Committee
- Debbie Clarkson - Ex Officio: appointed by Parish Council
- Bea Dowty - Proposed: Lyn Doman Seconded: Rachel Kotchie
- Giles Pearman - Proposed: Beth Jackson Seconded: Mike Clarkson
- Jonathan Wyld - Proposed: Bea Dowty Seconded: Kathryn Black

All elected, with no objections from the floor



Magic Box will consider appointing a nominated trustee at their AGM and will advise WR asap.

6. Feedback from Field Representatives (open to comments and ideas from the floor):

6.1 Play Park – Rachel Kotchie gave a slide presentation **See appendix 3**

Questions from the floor:

- S Betts: What stages will the works take? The drainage problem needs attention first.
Response: The project team are aware about drainage and the BANES consultant will be consulted prior to any works being started to advise on design.
- H Atkins: Asked about possible involvement of parents. This resulted in a general discussion about ideas for new equipment, what is already set-up, having a parent advocate at the school gate and a monthly lottery style club to help raise funds.

6.2 Field Management Group – Mike Clarkson

- Meetings tend to be on 1:1 basis with sports leaders to establish ongoing needs, encourage promoting and extending sport activities.
- Feedback welcomed from all members about how and what field is used for.
- Contractor for field maintenance changing from BANES to GreenSward in 2019. They started with a walk around with football sports lead to agree initial plan on works needed to pitch.
- With help of volunteers, the Green Gym is looking after the weeding of paths, outdoor gym and running track.

Questions from the floor: What contingency plans are in place for dealing with the same issues reoccurring regarding dressing the cracks in the football pitch this summer? Would it be better to use soil instead of sand?

Response: This will be checked with the new contractor.

- What plans are there for the fencing at the end of the field that needs attention?

Response: Quotes are being sought.

MC congratulated by A Smith on securing GreenSward as field contractors.

6.3 Pavilion – Debbie Clarkson

See Appendix 4

Questions from the floor:

- Will the pavilion HUB re-open from April?

Response: One day a week volunteers are needed to enable the HUB to be open. It is hoped this will encourage mums to use it after school.



- Various people offered help and a suggestion was made for people that work from home to work from the HUB; using the internet whilst overseeing the HUB facilities.

6.4 Arts & Culture – Bea Dowty

- 2019 Outdoor Theatre production is 'A Perfect World' on Thursday 13 June at 7:30pm.
- Flyer displayed in the pavilion for the 2019 Outdoor Theatre event.
- Tickets available online from Bath Box Office and at the Parlour Shop, Wellow.

6.5 Boules See Appendix 5

6.6- 8 Tennis, Cricket, Football – No representatives present

7) AOB

- H Prentice: W Rec was set-up to promote healthy activities to the area, therefore requested the trustees consider an electric bike scheme (and solar panels).

Response: Agreed to explore the idea with HP and formulate a plan to present to the PC.

- A Smith:
- Wishes to explore with WR the idea of putting up, between the floodlights, canvas to cover the area and covering the gravel area in front of the pavilion with artificial grass.
- LTA surveys have established that people perceive tennis as difficult to play well enough to enjoy. Funds are now available towards developing paddle softball tennis courts, as an introduction to the sport. These are half the size of a normal tennis court.
- Teens become less confident if they become less involved in sports. WVT is getting involved in promoting young people into sport.
- Suggested a Paddle court could be the next development on the field.

Response: Agreed to explore the idea.

- L Doman: The original plans stated there is parking available on the playing field site but this is not the case; all parking belongs primarily to the village hall. Before any more sports are encouraged, WR should provide their own car parking on the field.
- Response: After a general discussion it was agreed that LD has a genuine concern that should be raised with the PC.

Meeting close: 9:57pm