



Brixworth Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council (Recreation)

Wednesday 22nd March 2017

The Community Centre, Spratton Road, Brixworth

Councillors: Councillor Alex Coles (Chairman), Councillor Neal Brown, Councillor Jackie Bird, Councillor James Collyer, Councillor Stephen James, Councillor Anthony Jennings, Councillor Sandra Moxon and Councillor Peter Saxton.

In Attendance: Nick Hughes (Chair of the Mawsley Sports Council) and Peter Rowbotham (Parish Clerk)

Members of the Public – None

17/3697 Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting to discuss recreation matters. He reminded everyone of the locations of the emergency exits. He also reminded Councillors that the meeting was being recorded.

17/3698 Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Councillor Elaine Coe, Councillor Parker (holiday) and Councillor Barrett (family reasons)

17/3699 Members' declaration of interests on agenda items only

None declared.

17/3700 Presentation by Nick Hughes, Chairman of Mawsley FC

Councillor Coles welcomed Nick Hughes to the meeting.

Councillor Brown provided background and some recent history of the management of recreation within Brixworth and the challenges it now faced. The previous Recreation Working Group had now been dissolved. Councillor Brown welcomed the opportunity to listen to Nick Hughes as he thought that the Mawsley model could possibly be replicated successfully in Brixworth.

Mr Hughes presented the background of the Mawsley Sports Council and had left his presentation sheets which would be circulated to all Councillors by the Clerk. Main points of the presentation:

Objectives

- Manage the day to day use of the leased sports pitches (£6,000 expenditure per year)
- Lead on the strategic development

Challenges

- Managing the growth
- Development of a constitution
- Coordinating the Sports Teams
- Securing investment
- Tenure of the Land – which enables the funding applications to the sports bodies such as the FA

Key to Success

- Working together for common goals
- Developing mutual respect between the clubs

Councillors had the opportunity to ask questions about the Mawsley Sports Council.

Councillor Saxton, Councillor Bird and Councillor Moxon left the meeting at 7.55pm.

The Chairman and Councillors expressed their thanks to Mr Hughes for coming to the meeting and sharing his experience and knowledge of developing a local Sports Council.

17/3701 Formation of a Brixworth Sports Council

The possible formation of the Brixworth Sports Council would be considered at the Parish Council meeting to be held on 28th March 2017.

Should this matter progress then the engagement of clubs and media would be addressed.

17/3702 Urgent Matters for report only

There were no urgent items.

The meeting closed at 8.42pm

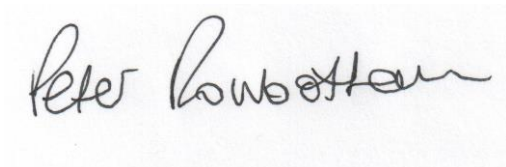
Signed as a true and accurate record

Councillor Alex Coles

Chair
Brixworth Parish Council
28th March 2017

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