



**Kennington Parish Council
Oxfordshire**

**Notes of the Playing Fields Committee meeting on
5 October 2022 at 7:30 pm in Playfield Road pavilion**

Present: Mr. Babbs Mr. Baker Cllr. Mrs. Buckingham Mr. Crouch Cllr. Feather
Mr. Gardiner Cllr. Patterson Cllr. Smith

In Attendance: Anne Feather (Clerk)

15.22 APOLOGIES – Cllr. Charlett

16.22 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS – None

17.22 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Committee resolved to sign minutes of the meeting on 13 July 2022.

18.22 EXPENDITURE REPORT

Budget for Playing Fields Committee 2022-23	£32,220.00
Income to 31 August 2022	480.00
Expenditure to 31 August 2022	6,297.00
Remaining budget as at 30 September 2022	26,403.00
(including £13,000 in EMR for pavilion project)	

Outstanding

Oxfordshire Skills Acquisition – use of Playfield Rd pavilion 19 – 212 April 2022	£180.00
Kennington Athletic Football Club – 2 x sets of Forest Side keys	£80.00
(including £13,000 in EMR for pavilion project)	

Expenditure since 31 August

Payment Ref No 2022.....	Playing Fields Budget	£
DD	EDF Energy Ltd Pavilion gas August	10.00
089	Ringrose Tree Services Remove various snapped hanging branches off leylandii hedge in Forest Side playing field	360.00
090	The Small Odd Jobs Company Cleaning memorial bench £85.00 Repairing decking in play area £200.00 Replace toilet seats in Ladies £15.00 All at Playfield Road playing field	300.00
091	SG Moncur Repaired fences at both The Links and Forest Side play areas and fixed 3 new waste bins £460.00 Fixed roof tiles at Forest Side Pavilion £110.00	570.00
094	Playsafety Limited Annual RoSPA Inspections for Forest Side and The Links Play areas plus the BMX track at Forest Side	268.80

095	Grundon Waste Management Ltd Wheelie bins in August	92.74
096	Martin Feather New cooker element for the Pavilion at Playfield Road	23.98
DD	EDF Energy Ltd Pavilion gas September	10.00
DD	Southern Electric Pavilions' electricity supply for August	101.99
107	D.E. Electrical To attend to tripping cooker circuit in kitchen of Playfield Rd pavilion	72.00
115	Calber Facilities Management Ltd Village Warden cover x 3 weeks in September £716.18 Cleaning Playfield Rd Pavilion x 4 weeks £177.26	177.26
116	Bryans Lock Services Ltd 2 x sets of keys for Forest Side + additional boiler room key	131.76

£2,118.53

19.22 Cllr. Mrs Buckingham concerned about variation in electricity costs at Forest side during the past year.

ACTION FOR CLERK – To investigate and report back

Remaining Budget for 2022-23

Anticipated expenditure during the year includes:

- Invoice for felling the tree in Forest Side Car Park
- Invoice for work carried out on the hot water at Playfield Road pavilion
- Invoice for Gas Certificate
- Legionella monitoring and assessment
- Electrical Certificate
- Electrical work on hot water timer
- Fire Report and certificate
- Pavilion electricity
- Pavilion water
- Pavilion gas
- Wheelie bins
- Grass cutting

20.22 NEW ISSUES

A State of car park at Playfield Road

Residents had complained about the danger to cars and residents due to the holes in the car park. Cllr. Feather had requested three quotes to carry out repair work – unfortunately only two quotes have been returned, one being in the sum of £2,500 and the other £1,600.

21.22 **It was agreed** that the lower estimate of £1,600 be recommended to full council at its meeting on 13 October 2022. This was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Buckingham seconded by Cllr. Smith and agreed by all

ACTION FOR CLERK – To add onto October's Council Agenda

B Tree in Forest Side car park

The tree at the time of sending out agenda had split down the middle and needed to be taken down. Since then tree collapsed and was dealt with as urgent so was felled, cut up and the stump ground up.

26.22 DAY OF FUTURE REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

During the summer months the Cricket Club members would find Wednesday evenings difficult to attend, as they have matches on this evening. However the arranged dates for the rest of the year were fine by them and also by everyone else around the table.

27.22 PLAYFIELD ROAD PAVILION PROJECT

Cllr. Feather had spoken with the architect (who carried out work for Council before) over the summer explaining that £1.6 million would not be a goer. A price of £600,000 was suggested. Architect thought that a pavilion with the necessary two x changing rooms etc to comply with Sport England could be achieved. Architect's scale of charges would be:

Initial design layout £4,500

Planning etc £3,500

Access statement £1,600

It was felt that even at £600,000 this was as inaccessible as £1.6 million. Mr Crouch suggested that renovating the existing pavilion would be an alternative. £200,000 could give the village a very good sporting facility. This way forward was agreed by the rest of those at the meeting.

ACTION FOR CLLR. FEATHER – To send plan of building and plot to Mr Crouch for discussion with his architect

ACTION FOR MR CROUCH – To discuss with his architect and inform Cllr. Feather in time for next meeting

28.22 CRICKET CLUB HIRE FEES FOR 2023

Mr Crouch proposed an annual hire fee of approx. £500 for 2023. Below is his explanation for this sum: He thanked the Committee for the two seasons without fees and explained that during this time the Cricket Club had spent time and money in improving the pitch, at present 5 bags of manure had been spread on the pitch in readiness for next year. The Cricket Club's season is for 17 weeks of 26 weekend games and 14 week day matches (Wednesday). At Cutteslowe Park Cricket pitch they pay £2,500 which includes all preparation of the pitch. With regard to Kennington's Cricket pitch Mr Robins has been preparing the pitch, putting in around 6 hours per week at nominal cost of £20 per hour. To continue this into next season (2023) if the Cricket Club were to pay equivalent to Cutteslowe, after paying Mr Robins' costs that would leave approximately £500 for the remaining hire fees. The Cricket Club would continue to put money into maintaining and improving the pitch. Cllr. Feather will take this for discussion at the Council meeting of 13 October 2022 and report back at the next Playing Fields meeting.

ACTION FOR CLERK – Add onto October's Council meeting agenda

29.22 ISSUES RAISED BY MEMBERS

30.22 Cllr. Mrs Buckingham

What ever happened to the Peace Mile? Cllr. Mrs Buckingham thinks that the posts are in Rachel's garage. Thought that Rachel was working with Oxford Preservation Trust.

ACTION FOR CLERK – To investigate what has happened so far and what still needs to happen.

31.22 Mr Baker

The litter bins at Forest Side seem to be full of dog poo bags at the weekend. Even the small one on the side of the pavilion. Clerk explained that Village Warden is on extended leave at the moment, hopefully things will get back to normal upon his return.

ACTION FOR CLERK – Will put sign on this litter bin saying NO DOG BAGS.

32.22 ANY MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

- Playfield Road Pavilion
- Playfield Road car park work

Next planned meeting 16 November 2022

Meeting closed at 8:27pm

Signed Dated