THORPE AUDLIN SPORTS FIELD TRUST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Trust's management committee meeting held in Ramsden Hall, Darning Lane, Thorpe Audlin at 8pm on Thursday 31 August 2023

Present: Cllrs S Fogg, G Moore, A Smith (chair) and L Stanley.
In Attendance: Alan Draper (clerk) and nine members of the public.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence
Apologies were received from Cllr Calvert and WMDC Cllrs Carrington, Garbutt and Massey.

2. Declaration of interests and dispensation requests
None other than those already declared in members' respective register of interests.

3. Public Participation
The following matter was raised:

- The level of rent charged to Thorpe Audlin Cricket Club in that it could be higher to be commensurate with the costs of the sports field.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2023
The minutes were approved as a correct record.

5. Matters arising from the minutes
None other than those which are already on today's agenda.

6. Financial Report
Budget balance: £659.

The schedule of payments for August was approved.

7. Correspondence
Email from South Kirkby Cricket Club confirming their acceptance of the terms offered to them for use of the sports field and pavilion in 2024.

Email from Thorpe Audlin Cricket Club asking for permission to place a shipping container on the sports field for storage. It was agreed to decline the request.

8. Sports Field Matters
Incident with the security gate on Bridge Lane
It was reported that a parish councillor had been abused when he was unlocking the security gate on Bridge Lane which is wholly unacceptable. The chair confirmed that parish councillors do not get paid and unlock/lock the security gate every day of the year and that there may be the odd occasion when the gate is unlocked a few minutes late.

Pavilion
It was confirmed that the arboreal work behind the pavilion has been completed and that the insurer has advised that there will now be a monitoring period.

It was agreed to repeat the request to the insurer for a site meeting with the building work contractor.

Basketball square/court
It was confirmed that Sutcliffe Play have yet to provide a quote. It was agreed to obtain a quote from a grounds maintenance contractor for a 3m x 3m square of tarmac instead.

Car park
It was confirmed that MK Groundcare have offered to maintain the hedges and the weeds in the car park for an annual charge of £600. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting.

Picnic area - tree
It was agreed to accept an offer from a local contractor (Lee Arbon) to reduce a tree in the picnic area for free.

9. Items for future agenda
Standard items plus the car park and hedges/trees.

10. Confirmation of time and date of next meeting
Ordinary meeting of the Trust's management committee in the Ramsden Hall on Thursday 28 September 2023.

Meeting closed: 8:50pm.

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