

DRAFT Notes of the meeting of the Caldecote Parish Council Sport and Recreation working party held on Monday 15th December 2008 at 7.30 pm in Caldecote Village Hall

Present: Cllr John Newby, Cllr Jack Lang, Cllr Alan Levett, Mrs Sue Tasker
Roger Hume (Parish Clerk).

1. Apologies for absence, none received

2. To approve the notes of the previous meeting on 3rd November 2008.

The notes were signed by the chairman as a true record of the meeting without amendment.

3. Matters arising from the previous meeting –

There were none that were not covered by the agenda.

4. Sports Association - Football and Cricket club.

Cricket.

Report from Chris Fuller

The artificial wicket has been ordered and I have confirmation that the strip will be laid in February/March 2009; we will have to decide what to do with 10 cubic metres of soil that has to be removed. This can either be dumped in a position somewhere on the ground for later use or arrange for a large skip to take it away.

We need to decide nearer the time if the Parish Council wishes to retain this soil on site.

Every delay in securing the ground for official use reduces the chances of funding from the relevant bodies, as these pots of money are not limitless. We are competing with other clubs around the country and other organizations that will have access to this. The closer the Olympics comes the sources of funding will dry up as more funds will be devoted to that. The club is unable to make any requests for funding unless the ground belongs to the Parish Council as this is a stipulation in all applications. As soon as the ground is owned by the PC, I will activate the numerous applications to get the main square funded. Current estimates are rising to over £75,000 for the wickets.

It needs to be stressed to South Cambs that the sports field should be prioritised for transfer.

Football, an amended agreement to allow Hardwick Young football teams to use the pitches has been agreed, and is resulting in much more use of the pitches. No problems have been reported so far.

5. Youth club

No report - but a new youth leader is being sought as Sharon Newton has moved to Cambridge. The need is being advertised around the villages.

6. To consider matters relating to Public Open Space

6.1 JS Bloor

The clerk is obtaining costings for maintaining the planted areas.

6.2 Banner 2

The meeting at SCDC to discuss the Banner 2 development was held on 18th November, The developer wants to build around 90 homes but South Cambs DC are keen to increase this

number.

Road access is via Blythe Way, with only emergency and footpath access opposite the school.

The Parish Council has submitted a request for community benefits from the 106 legal agreement.

A further meeting will be held in January, and an updated plan submitted, followed by a planning application.

6.3 Ashwell's

The transfer of the public open space areas is complete and commuted sum is in the Parish Councils accounts (£18995.50). The land registry refused the submitted plan and this has been amended, signed and returned.

6.4 Taylor Woodrow

The chairman and clerk are progressing the transfer with help from South Cambs legal officer Catriona Dunnett, Gerry Roper property surveyor has produced a revised transfer plan which needs to be agreed at the Parish Council meeting next Thursday.

DW Clerk Drainage Ltd has produced a quotation on drainage solutions to address the flooding problems.

It is hoped that Taylor Wimpey will increase the commuted sum in line with this, and also for the required rectification work on the poor planting.

7. Recreation ground (Sports Area)

The clerk is obtaining quotations for the next season's maintenance; he is meeting tomorrow with a representative of C.G.M.

A late application of an autumn dressing has been carried out.

8. Pavilion (including cabin)

Awaiting progress on the land transfer, but in the spring foundation tests will be made using a JCB. Jim Rogers from Hardwick was suggested.

9. To note the dates of the next working party meetings in 2009

26th January, 9th March, 20th April, 14th September, 2nd November, 14th December

11 Closure of meeting. There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 8-30pm.

Signed ----- (Chairman) Date -----