



Minutes of the meeting held of the **NORTHWOOD RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE** held in the Town Council Office, Northwood House, Cowes on Monday 8th December 2014 at 6.15 pm

Present: Cllrs: Nicholson (Chairman) Banks, Brown and Jones
2 members of the public were also present.

71 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There was an apology for absence received from Mr J Goldsmith.

72 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this stage.

73 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 30th September 2014 may be taken as read, approved as a correct record and were signed by the chairman.

74 REQUIREMENTS FOR A NEW TOILET CLEANER AND GENERAL LITTER PICKER

Discussions took place regarding a possible replacement for Mr Williams who retires on 31/03/15. A suggestion was made to ask the student council of Cowes Enterprise College to become involved. Unfortunately, due to Health and Safety restrictions and continuity, this was not taken forward. As the post involves a seven day per week contract, 52 weeks of the year, it will probably involve a company who can rotate staff rather than a one person. The hand wash car cleaning company will be asked to provide a quotation.

ACTION: The Assistant Town Clerk will ask those who provided a quotation last year to quote for this new contract.

Discussion also took place regarding the locking/unlocking of the block on a daily basis.

ACTION: Cllr Banks will investigate the cost of an automatic system.

RECOMMENDATION: That an advertisement is placed in the IW County Press asking for people to apply for further details regarding the contract.

75 UPDATE ON EXISTING PROJECTS

Skatepark

An inspection of all the facilities was carried out by the Chairman and Assistant Town Clerk, who found that the tensioning wire was loose in various places around the fence. The chairman has now tightened all the wires and secured the nuts holding the wire in place.

Playbuilder Park

No issues were found following the inspection.

MUGA

No issues were found following the inspection.

Outdoor Gym

No issues were found following the inspection.

Toilets

The chairman carried out a repair to the missing toilet roll spindle in the ladies toilet. Cllr Brown took the notices which have been received from Stock Signs – “push hard to flush” and will install them in all three cubicles.

CENTENARY FIELDS PROGRAMME

The clerk had received an email about designating a green space for a “Centenary Field” to commemorate those who lost their lives in World War 1. After some discussion it was decided that:
ACTION: As Northwood Recreation Ground is not a suitable location, this item will be added to the next Town Improvement agenda for discussion about another suitable location.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting will be Monday 9th February 2015 at 6.15pm.

Meeting ended at 7pm.

CHAIRMAN