

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL LEISURE FIELD  
COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25th MAY 2011 AT GUN PARK AT 6.30pm**

**Present: Councillors**      Sandra Hooper      Margaret Pemble      Jen Gardiner  
   Sam Shevde      Martin Kemp

Sarah Wells Clerk to Parish Council

**1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Kemp that Cllr Hooper be nominated as Chairman of this committee, there being no other nominations this was put to the vote, all agreed.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Read & Kenton

**3. RESULTS OF PLAY AREA SAFETY INSPECTIONS**

Each of the elements detailed on the inspection report were examined and discussed taking into account the comments made by the inspector. The following was agreed.

**Gun Park Playarea**

- Honeycomb Whirl on Wet Poor – All work recommended to be undertaken by Wicksteed.
- 2 Bay 4 Seat Swing – All work recommended to be undertaken by Wicksteed.
- Rainbow Multi-play unit on wet poor – Hexagon tunnel wood barrier and arched access barrier to be replaced by Wicksteed. **Action Sarah Wells**

The inspection report recommended that the unit be repainted, however the labour charge quoted by Wicksteed was extremely high, it was agreed that the paint should be purchased from Wicksteed but that a local workman be asked to undertake the painting. **Action Sarah Wells**

- 2 x Park Benches – recommended that benches be treated for corrosion and painted. Also the ground erosion in front of the benches to be treated.

The Clerk to ask a local workman to undertake the work. **Action Sarah Wells**

- Double gate – Padlock needs replacing. **Action Sarah Wells**

**Skate Park and Basketball Area**

- Metal Bench – erosion to be monitored – this unit will be removed as part of the new Skate Ramp project. **Action Cllr Kemp**
- Perimeter Fence – Panels missing and end post unstable. It was agreed that the end post should be removed. **Action Sarah Wells**
- Half Pipe – The ladder access had been removed and the barrier infilled. All other recommendations were discussed but as the ramp is due for removal as part of the new skate ramp project it was felt that spending money to rectify other minor defect was not justifiable.
- Bench – described as grind rail — The members were surprised by the comments for this item. It was installed as part of the original provision of the skate park as a bench, it was never intended to be a grind rail and to the best of the members knowledge has never been used for this function. As above it was not felt necessary to take any action at this time.
- Signage, Skate park enclosure and General – New Skate park project will deal with these.

**Centenary Gardens Play Area**

- Step Post Clusters - Two missing the Clerk to get a quote from playdale for there replacement. **Action Sarah Wells**
- Picnic Bench – Metal bracket needs rubbing down and painting. **Action Sarah Wells**
- General – Gates closing mechanisms need to be re-tensioned. **Action Sarah Wells**

**4. GUN PARK**

The Clerk reported that the contractor is concerned by the grass to weed ration in Gun Park – more weeds than grass. He recommends action is taken to reduce weeds (selective weed kill) and encourage grass.

After some discussion it was agreed that the clerk should get quotes for this work. **Action Sarah Wells**

**Allotment and Leisure Fields**