

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE HELD IN  
THE RECREATION GROUND ON SATURDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2009 AT 9.00 AM

**Present:** Mr M Rollé (Chairman), Mr M Böckle, Mrs H Klaassen, Mrs A Trend and Mrs P Wyeth.

**In Attendance:** Clerk to the Council: Mrs M Weston

**1. Apologies for Absence**

None.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None.

**3. Minutes of the Previous Committee Meeting**

The Minutes for the meeting held on 7 October 2008, having been circulated, were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

**4. Matters Arising**

None.

**5. Improvements made in this financial year**

The main improvement this year had been the addition of a buccaneer ship play equipment for younger children. Two new picnic tables had been added and more perimeter fencing had been achieved. The entire area had been maintained to a higher standard and grass strimming had taken place on a more regular basis. Daffodils had been planted.

**6. Skateboard Ramp**

The Chairman outlined a proposal to paint the outer walls of the skateboard ramp in a light colour and invite local young people to enter a competition to design artwork for the outer walls.

**RESOLVED:** That this idea be pursued in the Spring.

**7. Additional proposals for financial year 2010/2011**

**(a) Skateboard equipment**

A letter had been received from a local youth outlining ideas to improve the skateboard area with additional equipment.

**RESOLVED:** That more information be obtained before it was decided whether to take this idea forward and, if appropriate, to seek opportunities for grant aid.

**(b) Cycle track**

The Chairman felt that this project could be achieved without too much cost as most materials could be sourced locally. Local youth could also be asked for their ideas and it might be possible for them to do some of the work involved.

**RESOLVED:** To research this item and possibly seek opportunities for grant aid.

**(c) Aerial Runway**

It had previously been suggested that equipment was now needed for young people in the older age bracket. It was considered that an aerial runway could be achievable in the next financial year and it might be possible to site this in the same field as the skateboard ramp.

**(d) Regular Ground Maintenance**

The Clerk stressed the importance of regular ground maintenance to ensure an open and welcoming feel to visitors entering the Recreation Ground.

**8. Fencing**

There was still one length of fencing needing to be replaced on the right hand side of the Recreation Ground. The Chairman suggested that it might also be appropriate to eventually remove the fencing between the two fields.

**9. Budget request for financial year 2010/2011**

Description	Amount
Rent	£650.00
Grasscutting, etc	£650.00
Maintenance - skateboard ramp	2,000.00
Maintenance - play area	£1,000.00
Insurance	£200.00
Fencing	£1,200.00
Picnic benches/seats	£400.00
Camera/signage	£400.00
Aerial runway	£6,000.00
Cycle track development	£100.00
Strimming	£600.00
Ramp competition	£200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£13,400.00</b>

**10. Any Other Business**

In the absence of any other business the Chairman thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting.

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_