



MBSC Committee Meeting 9th May 2016

Held at "The Gate Hangs Well", Carlton at 19:30

Present

Bob Sykes (Chairman) – BS
David Gordon – DG
John Denore – JD
Stella Bridle – SB
Steve Robinson – SR
Richard Sharpe – RS

1. Apologies

These were received from Mick Stokes, Matt Watson and Ricky McDougall

2. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st March 2016 were approved (the meeting following that committee meeting being the AGM and subject to separate approval)

3. Club Updates

a) Cricket

RS advised that the club had won 3/3 games so far this season. The meeting was advised that Atherstone CC were using the ground and would need to be invoiced (**Action DG**)

b) Football

JD advised that most games had now been completed and there was a tournament planned for 11th June

c) 1485 Tri-Club

SR advised that "go tri" events were being considered

4. Playing Surface

JD presented a summary of a playing surface report prepared by the Leicester City FC groundsman. The report indicated that the pitches had the wrong type of grass. Although reseeding of the correct type could take place over time. Other relevant points were that regular aeration of the surface took place, an annual maintenance plan was advised and it was recommended that the Hinckley Council grass-cutting service should be avoided as the tractors used are prone to closing drainage holes (albeit the sand in the holes can reduce this risk). It was noted that a recent cut had been provided by an alternative supplier and the quality of the cut was complimented

5. Finance

DG advised the meeting of the current bank and cash levels. The loan from Leicestershire and Rutland Playing Fields Association had been received and banked and a brief discussion took place concerning the requirement for an invoice from the security fence installers in order to obtain funds from Sport England.

DG confirmed that the electricity consumption had reduced to the levels experienced prior to the arrival of the builders.

Twycross House School had requested the use of the cricket pitch on three afternoons during the summer. This was approved at a cost of £40.

JD advised that information would be received circa 17th May regarding a potential Football Foundation grant to cover security fencing, new goals and ball retention fencing

6. New Premises

- a) SB and BS advised that installation of security fencing had begun
- b) The club's architect, Sylvester Cheung had been in contact with relevant contractor's employees to organise "snagging" of the building. All members had been instructed to avoid entry to the building until this process had been completed thereby preventing potential disputes with the contractor regarding responsibility
- c) Work was continuing on the car park
- d) An issue remained concerning completion of tarmac work around the gateway although this was primarily in the hands of Bedaro
- e) The premises would still be expected to be complete for the tournament on 11th June, however the opening ceremony event would be deferred to later in the year.

7. Membership and Subscriptions

SB advised that she had been asked about "social membership", that is, without voting rights but allowing membership of the club. Following a discussion it was decided that the sports club element of membership fees should be defined, and an analysis prepared of sports club costs (**Action DG**). SB would review "Service Level Agreements" and JD would recreate the Sports Club membership form (**Action SB, Action JD**)

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:55. The next meeting will take place on 6th June 2016. Unless advised otherwise this will be held at "The Gate Hangs Well" in Carlton.