

Aynho Active Meeting

Date - 10th May 2023

Time – 20.00hrs

Venue – Aynho Pavilion

Attendees – Liz Hadley (LH), Dawn Willis (DW), David Icke (DI), Les Horley (L. HO) Michael Johnson (MJ), Ray Willis (RW)

Meeting was arranged to discuss the use of the pavilion and sports field with present users and further opportunities following approach by others to use the facility.

| Item | Discussion | Action |
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| 1.0 | Dawn referred to the booking process for the pavilion and sports field with particular concerns with Brackley Town Football Club use. | |
| 1.1 | Michael did state there was only a verbal agreement in place with Brackley Town to use the facility, it is unclear what this agreement includes. | |
| 1.2 | Ray mentioned interest from another football club that are interested in renting the facilities on a regular basis, there has also been interest from a lady working in the village setting up a regular children's parents activity at weekends, ideally on a Saturday morning but could be flexible. | |
| 1.3 | Ray did state he had been in discussions with Ardley Football club chairman who confirmed he would be able to give fixed dates to use the facility if not being used by BTFC. | |
| 1.4 | Michael agreed to circulate the BTFC schedule to all before the season starts again in September 23, | MJ |
| 1.5 | David mentioned BTFC has for some years paid a fair amount of fees to Aynho for the use of the facilities. | |
| 2.0 | Dawn asked why the football goals had been chained together as this was a problem for the grass cutting contractor, Dawn had messaged MJ previously requesting these were unlocked on the Sunday prior to the scheduled cut. | |
| 2.1 | Michael did state that he had no issues with locking the goals together, this apparently is something BTFC do at numerous venues. | |
| 2.2 | Ray confirmed he had cut the link on the chain the night before the scheduled grass cut as requested by the grass contractor so goals could be moved for cutting as nobody had been informed of the padlock lock code, chain and lock was put in the container for safe keeping. | |
| 2.3 | Dawn raised concerns following complaints from the grass contractor there had been a number of metal pegs left around the sports field which had damaged the mower on two occasions, this was unacceptable, Michael agreed to talk to BTFC to ensure this is addressed going forward. | MJ |

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| 2.4 | Les asked Michael if he had a vested interested in BTFC, Michael confirmed he had been involved with football for many years and this was on a voluntary basis. | |
| 2.5 | Les questioned whether BTFC rented the pitches and changing rooms on a whole season basis regardless of matches played, or if by a pre-specified number of games to be played during a season. Les said that during his time when needing to rent pitches, he had only ever experienced the latter. He said that this needs clarifying for next season, so as not to cause confusion. Les said that he was uneasy with the former option, as he was unhappy that BTFC would then sub manage the facility during the football season. He also said that this is why we needed to complete the questionnaire on the Sports Field, as requested by WNC. | |
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| 3.0 | Both Liz and Dawn raised concerns the state the pavilion is left following use by BTFC with mud on floors, bins overflowing, toilets blocked, windows open and light left on and the changing room door being left unlocked on more than one occasion, the changing room is also full of Brackley equipment preventing others from using it. | |
| 3.1 | David and Michael agreed that they would take it in turns to visit the pavilion after each use by BTFC and ensure the areas are clean and tidy, if needed they would clean up themselves. | DI/MJ |
| 3.2 | Ray mentioned the plans to get the kitchen, changing rooms and toilet areas updated, it may well be these facilities would not be available for BTFC (or others) whilst these works were completed, anything stored in the changing rooms would need to be moved as it is not a store. | |
| 3.3 | Possible options for the use of toilets/changing during the work could be the adjacent toilet could be used, this to be confirmed once agreed. | RW/LH |
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| 4.0 | It was requested Michael circulate contact names and numbers of football managers so these could be contacted if needed. | MJ |
| 4.1 | Michael did state he had no issues with the grass cutting contractor just cutting around the goals, if necessary, he would get the areas cut himself, it was felt this was not a very good option as the areas would look untidy. | |
| 4.2 | Michael also had concerns with others using the pitches as BTFC did carry out the pitch marking. | |
| 4.3 | Ray to contact the Chairman of Ardley Football club and suggest he calls Michael to discuss in more detail the use of the facilities. | RW |
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| 5.0 | Post Meeting Note as discussed at the May 23 PC Meeting:- Leslie Leighton stated he had purchased another combination lock for the goals (albeit there was the existing one in the container which is still fit for use) Michael to circulate to all the code for the lock so goals can be unlocked and moved when necessary. | MJ |
| 5.1 | It was agreed BTFC should have a contract rather than a verbal agreement, this should be something like we have at the village hall, it was suggested Michael contact BTFC to arrange a meeting, contract to be developed and issued. | ALL |