

FRITHELSTOCK VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Meeting held on Wednesday 7th December 2011, 1930hrs at the Clinton Arms, Frithelstock

Those Present – John Vickery, Richard Joseph, John Giles-Larkin, Mark Thomas & Terry Warrington.

Apologies from Geoff Bowman, Nikki Giles-Larkin and Fiona Tolson.

1) Welcome – The Chairman, John Vickery welcomed all to the meeting.

2) Minutes of the last meeting – Read out by the Committee Secretary and confirmed as a true record of that meeting, proposed by Terry Warrington and Seconded by Richard Joseph.

Matters Arising –

a) 2012 August Bank Holiday – see *item 4*

b) Playing Field Plans – see *item 5*

c) Donations Box – Terry Warrington has suggested that we have a converted gas bottle, mounted to ensure it is safe and secure, this will have a small donations slot (small enough to discourage unwanted donations) and a lockable access panel at the rear. Terry Warrington has liaised with Mike Palmer a local engineer, and has the matter in hand. Looking at installation prior to Easter 2012.

d) Transfer of Bank Account – John Vickery has investigated the transfer of the bank account due to the closing down of Great Torrington HSBC branch. John Vickery suggested that we remain with HSBC but in Bideford, due to all the necessary paperwork involved. It was suggested that John Vickery looks into a local Building Society such as Nationwide, otherwise we will remain with HSBC. John Vickery will report at the next meeting.

4) 2012 August Bank Holiday – It has been agreed by all committee members, that we should have a Traditional Village Fete, aptly named as the historical 'Frithelstock Frollicks'. Several suggestions were put forward for different competitions etc such as growing the largest vegetable, best cake, sponsored Tug of War etc. It was agreed that a letter be sent out to all villagers in the parish for their suggestions regarding stalls etc and for their memories of 'Frithelstock Frollicks' from days gone by. The results from the parish will be reported at the next meeting.

5) Playing Field Projects – The committee received 2 letters of complaint from local parishioners, regarding the suggestions of a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) at the playing field.

It was agreed that the Secretary will write to the concerned parishioners explaining, that it had been suggested to the committee from several parishioners, following the

Summer Tennis Tournament, that it would be nice to have an all weather court/MUGA for the villagers to use.

The committee had discussed this at the last meeting, and it was suggested (as always when things are put to the committee) that we consult the Parishioners to seek their views on the matter, and from the results of the consultation, to investigate the matter further if needed.

With regard to this questionnaire, which will include questions about future village events, will be sent out to all homes in the Parish for return by the 15th January 2012.

6) AOB –

a) Publications of Minutes on the Frithelstock website, this was agreed by all as a good way of informing the Parish, keeping them up to date with suggestions and forthcoming events etc.

b) Investigations into a drinks license for the playing field events

c) Advertising, Promotion and Publicity of the '2012 Frithelstock Frollicks' to be discussed at the next meeting, to also include safety signs 'put up on the day' in the lane to inform passing drivers of many pedestrians in the area, and also a sign to show directions of the event.

d) It was discussed that John Vickery would inform the Entertainment Committee of our Forthcoming Events and Commitments.

e) A copy of the Playing Field sign was suggested at the entrance to the playing field, to include unlocking times of the park 'Dawn to Dusk'.

f) It was suggested that we need 'No dogs allowed' signs at the entrance to the park. Terry Warrington is to investigate the costs.

7) Date of Next Meeting - 8th February to discuss the results of the Bank Holiday Suggestions and other options.

The meeting closed at 2110 hrs with a vote of thanks to the attendees from the Chairman.