BERE FERRERS PARISH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Open Spaces Committee held in the Council Chamber Bere Alston on Tuesday 16th January 2018.

Present

 Cllr. P. Dennis Chairman

 Cllr. R. Leithall Chairman of Council

Cllr. H. Boot-Handford Cllr. M. Page-Bailey

Cllr. S. Hanson Cllr. D. Pengelly

 Cllr. R. Maycock

**In Attendance.**  Cllr. B. Lamb.

**1520. Notification of items for information at the discretion of the Chairman. No action can**

 **be taken on these matters.**

1) Cllr. Lamb – Next Tuesday is the Community Event in the Parish Hall. Council is sharing a table

 with West Devon, I will not be able to attend until about 3pm, is there anyone who

 can man our table. Cllr. Page-Bailey offered to help.

2) Cllr. Pengelly – has received a quote for £3,040 this will be paid for by the £2,500 from TAP

 Funding and BARP will add £540 to make up the amount.

3) The Clerk – reported an incident which happened at the play park The Down. A family went up

 over the weekend when they got there they found a group of lads throwing swings

 over the top bar, on asking them to get them down they got verbal abuse and

 threats. Unfortunately they ended up leaving the park.

**1521. To discuss with representatives the formation of a youth football team within the**

 **village.**

The Clerk read the following letter from Jason Palmer;

Hi my name is Jason Palmer. I popped into see you about starting a youth football team last year.

Myself, Steve Daymond, and Adrian Spry would like to form a youth's football team within the village. We have all been brought up in the village and two of us still presently live here and the other just outside of Bere Alston. We all hold our level 1 coaching award, a current first aid certificate we are all DBS checked and we have all completed a course in safeguarding children.

 We are aware that most children presently have to leave the village to represent other team in a sport they love, (Tavistock, Horrabridge, Roborough etc.) and we feel starting a Bere Alston youth team would benefit the community and to represent Bere Alston in the Devon Junior Minor league. We presently have nine children who already want to join the team and when we have been accepted by the council we would like to hold a trial day where other children can come and try football.

We have already approached Bere Alston Football club for advice and they would warmly welcome another youth team as their use to be one.

We currently have a:

Youth Chairman: Jason Palmer (myself)

Secretary: Steve Daymond

Welfare Officer: Adrian Spry

Treasurer: Mark Wheeler

Committee Member:  Four parents

We would like to get the team involved in community events/activities like carnival day, and we would fully encourage our team to fundraise; we have already had interest from people/companies already wanting to sponsor our team.  A game of football is all about respect, on and off the pitch, and we will be working hard to teach this to all the children who are part of Bere Alston Youth Team. Please could you reply to myself at Jasonpalmer88@hotmail.com upon receipt of this email so I am aware that you have received it and please reply to the email regards to any queries or questions that you might have. We all look forward to hearing from you soon.

Mr. Palmer introduced Steve Daymond and Adrian Spry. They already have enough volunteers for a 7 aside team and would like to look forward to the 9 aside league as well.

The idea is to run a small pitch with collapsible goals alongside the main pitch; they have spoken with BAUFC who have offered their help in cutting and marking out the pitch.

Cllr. Boot-Handford asked if the team would be open to females. Steve Daymond said it would be open to everyone, she also asked what are their needs. They would like Council’s permission to use the Pavilion and also be allowed the small pitch. The Clerk stated that there is no charge for under 18 teams. Cllr. Boot-Handford asked what was their time scale; they hope to play by September 2018 but would like to launch it now.

Cllr. Dennis proposed that the committee are fully committed to seeing the youth teams being set up.

**1522. Matters arising from the minutes and taken as read, to deal**

 **with matters arising.**

Matters Arising.

Minute 1448(1397) – Cllr. Hanson asked the Clerk where we are with the entrance to the

 Recreation Field The Down? The Clerk stated that we are awaiting a drier

 period as the contractor has been asked to sieve the soil removed from the

 area back into the tiles.

Minute 1459(1) Dog Fouling – Cllr. Boot-Handford feels we should launch a new initiative.

**1523. Financial Statements.**

The Clerk sent the financial statements for Cemetery and Recreation to all committee members by email.

Cemetery discussions took place. Cllr. Hanson proposed acceptance of the Cemetery finance sheet, seconded by Cllr. Page-Bailey.

Recreation discussions took place, Cllr. Pengelly proposed acceptance of the Recreation finance sheet, seconded by Cllr. Hanson.

**1524. Report from BARP.**

Cllr. Pengelly gave out the quotes they have received for the second phase of the play park as follows :

Rhino Play Ltd £7103 + Vat £1,420-60 = £8,523-60

TK Play £7,921 + VAT £1,584-36 + £9,506-16

Green Scheme £8,511 + VAT £1,702-20 = £10,213-20

He informed committee that this has to be completed so as to spend the grant from Tesco’s. The committee will be meeting to discuss who would be their choice with a recommendation to F&GP.

Rhino have agreed to extend the warranty on the roundabout for 12 months.

Discussions took place. Cllr. Dennis proposed that a caveat be added that providing BARP recommends to F&GP the quote they have chosen for the play equipment and this is ratified by F&GP BARP to go ahead, seconded by Cllr. Maycock, a vote was called for all were in favour.

**1525. To review the BAUFC Agreement.**

The Clerk sent all members a copy by email. Cllr. Leithall proposed this document is fit for purpose, seconded by Cllr. Hanson.

**1526. To review the agreement with Bere Ferrers Villagers and the Bailment Agreement.**

The Clerk sent all committee members a copy of the agreement and the Bailment agreement by email.

It was agreed that the new Table Tennis Table be added at 18 on the Bailment Agreement.

Cllr. Hanson proposed the agreements are fit for purpose with the addition of the Table Tennis Table, seconded by Cllr. Maycock.

**1527. To review the Allotment Agreement.**

The Clerk sent all committee members a copy of the Allotment Agreement by email.

Cllr. Pengelly proposed the agreement is fit for purpose, seconded by Cllr. Leithall.

**1528. To set up a sub-committee to further the road infrastructure on section E, the next**

 **area to be commissioned.**

Discussions took place. The following councillors put their names forward for the sub-committee – Cllr. Boot-Handford, Cllr. Page-Bailey and Cllr. Dennis.

**1529. Routine safety inspection reports for the Parish Recreation and Play parks.**

 Cllr. Hanson The Down Recreation Park

1) The large entrance gate into the play area grounds if opened more than a few feet.

2) Loose slat on bench.

Cllr. Hanson Sarah Park Play Area

1) The entrance gate out of alignment, hard to close.

2) Cable rider seat missing. Clerk reported it has been stolen.

Cllr. Lamb Bere Ferrers Play park

Nil report.

The Clerk reported that the fence at the rear of the car park protecting the trees is rotten, Cllr. Lamb to investigate.

The Clerk also reported that the Willow Hide has been trimmed and the trimmings dumped in the field.

 **1530. Monthly Inspection of Allotments Bere Alston and Bere Ferrers.**

Bere Alston - Cllr. Maycock reported fences blown over and debris around

Cllr. Page-Bailey Bere Ferrers – Plot 1 has been covered, Plot 2 is not being worked, and he

thought that 1 & 2 were to be the memorial garden for Maggie Cartwright. 14 & 16 also not worked.

**1531 . To discuss Community Composting.**

Cllr. Page-Bailey has an appointment to meet with the planning officer to check any planning issues where we have suggested having the Community Composting, he has also contacted Chagford.

**1532. Correspondence.**

1. Baz Hayler – a) reported that kids are congregating in the Lytch gate and making a mess.

 b) Pavilion main trip switch will not stay on. Firstly thought it was because it didn’t

 have a token but that’s not the case as it still trips out. Clerk asked Adam Smith

to have a look, it is the water heater under kitchen sink that is the problem, it has shorted out.

c) Also far side football pitch near footpath 3 posts are rotten and fencing is off.

 Mr. Hayler has put wood behind Pavilion, Clerk has told Mr. Westlake.

2. Tricia Kent – Storage shed Bere Ferrers Recreation Field.

I am emailing on behalf of the Belinda O'Flynn Theatre Group in Bere Ferrers, we are

looking for some storage space for our props etc. We have been trying to find out about the

storage shed (small barn) on Bere Ferrers recreation ground to see if it is available for rent.

There are two parts to the shed, one half is used by the Watersports group, but the other is

apparently not utilised and nobody seems to have a key. We have no idea if it is suitable,

but would really like to check. Could you let me know if there is a key to the padlock? If

not we are happy to cut the padlock (with your permission) and replace it in order that we

can check it for suitability.

**1533. Agenda items for next meeting.**

1. To review terms of Reference

2. Update on Sub Committee road infrastructure Cemetery

There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.12pm

Signed this 30th day of January 2018.

Chairman…………………………….