

# MEETING OF THE POPLARS SPORTS GROUND COMMITTEE

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7pm

The Clubhouse, Poplars Sports Ground, Station Road

**Present:** Cllrs T Hazard (Chair) Y Greenfield, G Hadjigeorgiou, J Johnson, L King and R Rolls.

**In Attendance:** J Sherrin (Clerk) and D List (Grounds & Amenities Manager)

## MINUTES

- POP/588** Apologies for absence – Cllr D Yates
- POP/589** Council members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda – None
- POP/590** Minutes of the meeting held on March 25<sup>th</sup> 2024 – Approved as a true record and signed by the Chair
- POP/591** Matters arising from previous meeting not covered in the agenda – None
- POP/592** Club review – Updates on the following clubs:
- i. **BJFC** – Cllr Rolls reported that conversations with BJFC indicated that they would like to have draft beer available for summer Friday nights (12 weeks). D List noted that Guinness Surger and cans of larger from fireworks evening still available. Presented Birra Moretti Starter pack with 2 x 8 litre kegs at £469 as possibility. Cricket Club wants to run bar with volunteers and use supply of cans and contactless payment for simplicity. Request also from BJFC to have Euro Championship evenings. D List noted would need to be built around existing bookings. Agree that input from Clubs is crucial to ensure needs are being met, particularly with changing demographics. Meeting with BJFC to be arranged by Cllr R Rolls. Cllr T Hazard, D List and J Sherrin to attend.
  - ii. **Bowls** – Recommenced on 20<sup>th</sup> April. Green is in reasonable condition.
  - iii. **Archery** – Severn Trent reasonably happy with gate closure practice now in place.
  - iv. **Pétanque** – OSB garden bench temporarily now in place.
  - v. **Slimming World** – All ok.
  - vi. **Bridge** – Happy now boiler fixed.
  - vii. **Yoga** – Signage needed for other grounds users to be silent around clubhouse when yoga sessions are taking place.
  - viii. **Cricket** – Agreement to be re-visited next season.
  - ix. **3G** – D List reported that the pitch was tested 2 weeks ago, from this maintenance requirements will be provided. Some summer bookings are in place from BJFC and other clubs. Access to Burton Joyce residents and Football Club - requirements to be discussed with BJFC at the meeting. Will take time to set up. Needed for school holidays. Signage will be needed stating opening times. Ask to advertise in Nola once all set up.
- POP/593** Clubhouse Bar
- i. Refurbishment / redecoration update – Greens and blues preferred colours. Cllr Hadjigeorgiou researched fabrics. Agreed for her to seek a quote from a professional upholsterer as well. Paint colours to be selected once fabric chosen. Target for re-decorating mid-June. Options for replacement table tops to be explored by Cllrs Hazard and King. D List to seek quote for changing

rooms and corridors to be redecorated. He also noted also that showers and plumbing need proper survey. 3 showers work, 2 don't. At the moment only 3 needed. To future-proof might need all to work (if more adult teams play). D List to also get quote for these works.

- ii. Feedback from introduction of new coffee machines – Problems still with getting hot coffee. Cllr Rolls advised on method of use. D List to train staff to use.

**POP/594 Fencing by 3G Pitch – Repaired.**

**POP/595 Other Maintenance and Repairs –** Casual Play Area on hold until Community Garden is complete. Quote received for wi-fi extender on apex of garage to give 200m radius coverage, includes firewall inscription. Agreed to proceed using maintenance budget. Requirements of additional camera in car park discussed. Cllrs to ascertain location of blind-spot.

**POP/596 Information Update – None.**

**POP/597 Date of Next Meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7:00pm**

**Signed: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Chair of Poplars Sports Ground Committee**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_**