

# MEETING OF THE POPLARS SPORTS GROUND COMMITTEE

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7pm**  
**The Poplars Sports Ground, Station Road**

## MINUTES

**Present:** Cllrs R Ringham (Chair) Y Greenfield (Vice Chair) T Hazard,  
L King and D Wright

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

- POP/443**      **Apologies for absence** – Cllr G Hadjigeorgiou
- POP/444**      **Election of Chair** – Cllr R Ringham unanimously elected
- POP/445**      **Election of Vice-Chair** – Cllr Y Greenfield unanimously elected
- POP/446**      **Council members’ declarations of interest for items on the agenda** - None
- POP/447**      **Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022** – Unanimously approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair
- POP/448**      **Clubhouse Tea-bar / Bar**
- i. Review of capacity (currently set at 50). Agreed to increase to 80 with immediate effect. D List and Cllr R Ringham to advise BJFC of the change.
  - ii. Reduction in price of spirits noted. D List and Cllr R Ringham to ask BJFC to communicate this reduction and re-iterate that members / spectators cannot bring their own alcohol. Resolved that delegated authority should be given to D List, Cllr R Ringham and J Sherrin to approve special offers for any stock nearing its sell-by date which would otherwise be wasted. Noted smaller barrels now make this less of an issue. Any offers to be reported back to the committee. D List reported that he is currently collecting supplies from Eastwood, but is re-arranging delivery dates to a more convenient day so this will no longer be necessary.
- POP/449**      **Club review**
- i. BJFC – Meeting between Cllr Ringham, D List and BJFC organised for 10<sup>th</sup> June to go through details of presentation weekend. Sale or return of draft beer offered by the supplier for the event.
  - ii. Bowls – Green is 80% improved following issues with leatherjackets.
  - iii. Archery – Have a competition on 19<sup>th</sup> June, won’t affect other clubs or require staffing.
  - iv. Petanque – All going well. BJFC have offered to store materials for them.
  - v. Slimming World - OK
  - vi. Bridge – Will be playing thought the year with no summer break.
  - vii. Yoga - OK
  - viii. Table Tennis – OK
- POP/450**      **Poplars Open Day** – To note postponement of this event. J Sherrin to put post of Facebook and Website and produce posters for Cllr King to distribute.

- POP/451**      **Accessibility** – Support grant has been applied for by J Sherrin, approved and received from Trent Valley Councillors’ Communities Fund for the Petanque path. Donation to be made by Petanque member and remainder to be paid by the Parish Council. Materials to be ordered now and stored in case prices rise. Installation due early October.
- POP/452**      **Casual Play Area** – Cllr Ringham has contacted STW estates and invited them to the site to discuss permissions required. Noted that sewage pipes referred to are disused. Cllr Ringham will chase up.
- POP/453**      **Alarm call out / connection** – Noted SIM card is within system. Monitor whether second SIM will be required.
- POP/454**      **Access Control / CCTV and IT Equipment** – Agreed should be assessed before next season, particularly as data is needed for monitoring purposes. Cllr Ringham and D List To discuss with BJFC at meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> June. CCTV – site visit highlighted need for additional camera.
- POP/455**      **Other Maintenance and Repairs** – Update on F&GP site visit. Draft report to be forwarded to Cllrs Hazard, Wright and Hadjigeorgiou for information. Cllr Y Greenfield to take photos of and count clubhouse tables and chairs in the interim with a view to selling them. D List reported that the sports ground has been sprayed with a selective weed killer. Cllr King suggested moving the Polars sign on the gate at the station end of the site to make it more visible. D List noted problems in getting the damaged shutter repaired. To await information from the usual maintenance company. If they are unable to fix, Cllr Greenfield offered to contact an engineering company in Thurgarton. D List to write a list of hand tool requirements.
- POP/456**      **Information Update** J Sherrin reported that the changed licence for the Bowls Pavilion has finally been signed off by the solicitor. Cllr Ringham noted that the Friends of Lowdham and Burton Joyce Stations had installed a pebble display near the train station as part of the jubilee celebrations. An invitation has been received by them for a banner unveiling by the primary school on 23<sup>rd</sup> June. All councillors are invited.
- POP/457**      **Date of Next Meeting** – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 7pm, Poplars Sports Ground.

**Meeting closed 8pm**

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

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

**Chair of the Poplars Sports Ground Committee**