

HORDEN RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting held 3rd November 2015

Present: Councillor W Smith (Chairman)
Councillors C Cain, J Clark, E Connor, D Langan, D Tait, D Nicol, I Roberts, G Robson, J White, L Williams and E Wood.

Staff: Mr. P Davsion (Clerk), Ms J Hunt (Assistant Clerk) and Mr J Bush (Parks and Cemetery Manager).

HRG 15/16/064 **Declarations of Interest.**
No Trustee submitted any declarations of interest on the matters to be considered on the agenda.
RESOLVED: that no declarations of interest be NOTED.

HRG 15/16/065 **Apologies for Absence.**
Apologies for absence were submitted from Councillors R Bagnall, M Clark and W Hill.
RESOLVED: that the apologies submitted be APPROVED.

HRG 15/16/066 **Minutes of Meetings held 6th and 8th October 2015.**
RESOLVED: that the minutes be approved and signed as a true record to be signed by the Chairman.

HRG 15/16/067 **Matters Arising.**
HRG 15/16/057 – Rugby Pitch Number Two.
The Clerk has contacted the club on two occasions via the Secretary and the Chairman with regard to arranging a meeting. The club have yet to confirm a date.
HRG 15/16/059 – HCW AFC.
The Clerk has contacted the council's solicitor with regard to their resolution on ATE insurance and the part 36 offer.
HRG 15/16/063 – Miners Sculpture.
The Clerk will update Members on this item at the 3rd November meeting.

RESOLVED: that the information be NOTED.

HRG 15/16/068 **Public Participation.**
There were no members of the public present.

HRG 15/16/069 **Member Bank Account Signatories.**
The Clerk advised Trustees of the current bank account signatories and enquired as to whether Trustees would like these to remain the same for the parish council's bank account.
RESOLVED: that the signatories remain the same for the charity bank account ; Councillors R Bagnall, C Cain, W Hill, D Nicol, I Roberts, G Robson, W Smith, D Tait and J White.

HRG 15/16/070 **Change of Authorised Bank Account Persons.**
The Clerk advised that due to internal changes in procedure with the Council's bank, he advised that no officer had any authority to deal with the bank and that as the RFO, he was required to do so. Council were required to approve his authorisation with the bank in order to complete this, and completing the appropriate bank mandates.
RESOLVED: that the Clerk be APPROVED as the authorised bank account person.

Mr J Bush entered the room at 6:10pm.

HRG 15/16/071 **Miners Sculpture.**
The Clerk advised that there were a few things that Trustees needed to address before the day of the event. Trustees then proceeded to address the items as per the Clerk's report, which had been previously circulated.

A query was raised with regard to the current positioning of the statue in respect to the public consultation and the wishes of the community of Horden.

Councillor Langan wished it to be noted that he was disgusted at the fact that the statue had been placed irrespective of where the public wanted it and irrespective of the Parish Council resolution of the Parks and Cemetery meeting held on 8th October 2015.

After much discussion it was;

RESOLVED:

- i. that the orientation of the statue be facing down the main drive looking towards the direction of the bowling greens.
- ii. that the area around the statue be tarmacked to match the existing tarmac to accommodate wheelchair access and that the Clerk use the remainder of the monies set aside for the event.
- iii. that the plaque to be commissioned reads "This statue commemorates the proud mining heritage of Horden and was unveiled by a group of Horden's oldest living miners on 21st November 2015" and that the plaque be installed before the unveiling of the statue on the 21st November 2015.
- iv. that, with regard to memorabilia, a total of 250 commemorative mugs be ordered and sold at £5 per mug on the day and that further mugs be ordered if required.
- v. that the arrangements for the SWC buffet reception be ENDORSED.
- vi. that the agreed additional invitations be sent for the SWC buffet reception.
- vii. That all 16 of the oldest miners that submitted their names, be invited to the unveiling, to determine amongst themselves who shall carry out the actual unveiling of the statue. In addition the statue be covered with a veil.

Councillor Clark left the room at 7:20pm before resolution number vii.