

## Minutes of JFMC Meeting of 8PM 30/06/2021 at Kathie Lamb Centre

### Attendance:

Paddy Riordan PR, Chairman  
Mel Alesi (Guides) MA,  
Gordan Reader GR, Richard Monks RM, Jay Fuller JF SMUFC Mens Club  
Lee Seal LS, Nicola Stonebridge NS, Steve Downey SD, SMFC Juniors  
John Perry JP Staplehurst Parish Council  
Louise Brice LB, Maidstone Borough Council  
Dean Fuller DF, Groundsman

Apologies: Steve Sands

Approval of minutes of Meeting of March 2021: Approved

### 1. Treasurers financial report.

PR gave a positive report received from treasurer current financial position of JFMC. Documentation was provided to all present.

**Action:** Due to no charges being issued to JFMC users during the pandemic, PR to liaise with Treasurer to confirm Pitch Charges for the coming season.

### 2. Guides Report

MA raised issues of Magnetic Shields using the whole car park and leaving no spaces for regular users.

**Action:** JF to contact Mag Shields to address the situation.

MA Raised issues of Kathie Lamb centre being used as a backstop for footballers when kicking balls.

**Action:** JF & DF to remove goal posts and render them unable to be repositioned near the Kathie Lamb Centre. MA mentioned that the Guides were in consultation with the Parish Council CCTV contractor about the possibility of having a CCTV system for the Guide Building.

PR advised that the agreed drainage works adjacent to the Guide centre would be implemented as soon as the contractor deemed the weather suitable.

3. SMFC Youth Club report. LS reported that the Club had expanded again and was now running 20 youth teams (14 Boys & 6 girls). The issue of playing games elsewhere was discussed and the general consensus was that until an all-weather sports surface might be available at the facility, match schedules would be difficult and only managed by playing at other venues.

### 4. SMUFC Men's club report.

GR reported that the men's club would be starting friendlies from 3rd July with league matches commencing on 21st July (Reserves), 28th July (Vets) & 31st SCEFL. The club would be in the FA Vase Draw & Kent Senior Cup.

### 5. Main pitch developments plans discussion & report.

GR reported the seated stand had been delayed due to delivery dates, now expected 30th July. RM Reported that many improvements to create training areas had been carried out by utilising areas at present unused and by using parts of the main pitch. This would hopefully relieve the pressure on other pitches. PR stressed the importance of the correct process and due diligence being carried out when placing orders for any works in compliance with the FSIF Funding offer. He expressed that the JFMC could not be responsible if all matters were not carried out in compliance with the FSIF Terms

and conditions. The Club mentioned the possibility of a CCTV System being installed by a contractor of their choice. PR advised that any such works would need Parish Council consent and would need to comply with GDPR Data Protection Regulations. After discussion, it was generally considered a good idea to have CCTV covering the new facilities on the main pitch.

6. Pitch hire lease agreement.

PR advised that an up-to-date Pitch Hire Lease agreement would be sent out to all users for perusal and signing on agreement of the document.

7. Payback team proposed works.

PR Advised that he would be utilising the Community Payback team to carry out internal, external painting projects, cutting of hedges and various other jobs. RM has also carried out cleaning and tidying of the Pavilion. The JFMC would pay for the paint etc.

8. Parish Council input.

PR explained that he was disappointed with reports of unfair criticism of the Parish Council by members of the Mens club. He stated that the PC owned the facility had to carry out due diligence in all matters relating to public space, whilst considering all users and the wider community. He reminded the club members of the physical and financial support the PC had provided to the club. PR stated he expected better relations and understanding from the club members in the future. PR also mentioned of the support Borough Cllr Brice had given the club.

9. AOB/Matters arising.

LS & SD reported that the defibrillator battery needed replacing. **Action:** LS to purchase the battery and be reimbursed by JFMC.

PR advised that the locks on the disabled toilet, front and rear doors had been serviced/repaired and were in good working order.

PR Reported that safety netting along the pitch adjacent to neighbouring property was being investigated, he was waiting on quotes and implementation information and would report back ASAP. PR reported that outer steel doors were being investigated to replace the existing shutters as these had proven problematic.

Date of next meeting AGM:

To be confirmed.

Following the meeting the working group will discuss the 3G pitch project please see information by separate email to follow:

PR provided information from a potential 3/4 G pitch installer and asked the Junior club to discuss provide their opinion on the positioning of the proposed facility ASAP **Action:** Club to report back.