

**ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL
SPORTS CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee held on Tuesday
04 August 2020 commencing at 10.00am.**

Due to the COVID-19 social distancing restrictions, the meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee was held virtually via Zoom, in accordance with the Coronavirus Act 2020, clause 78(2).

Present: Cllr M Manley
Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clark

Mrs A de Jager – Parish Clerk and Sports Centre Manager
Ms K Law – Assistant Clerk and Finance Officer

1. Apologies

Cllr J Kelly and Cllr V Ngwenya

2. Declarations of Interests

None

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 14 July 2020 were approved and will be signed at the next physical meeting of the Management Committee.

4. Review of Re-opening of Sports Centre

The Government announced that indoor leisure centres could reopen on 25 July 2020 and we were pleased that we were able to do so on that date. This new environment is new for everyone and we are all learning and adapting as we go. We had emailed as many members as we could to advise them of our new routine and opening hours. Ms Law spent time with each staff member on their first shift, to go through the new procedures. From Saturday 25 July to 03 August 2020 we have had 140 visits to the gym compared to 225 visits for the same period, if we include classes and racket sports, we had 414 visits for this period. Older members have not returned, however, if they were shielding, the regulations have only just been relaxed. The staff will be asked to phone some of the older members and get feedback on how they feel about restarting.

We have one piece of equipment out of order and are waiting for spare parts to be available. Until we could establish that we had sufficient capacity for our existing members, we suspended inductions for new members. We feel that we will be able to accommodate existing and new members and will begin to take bookings for inductions. Classes are not being offered; these would not be financially viable with the social distancing criteria. One yoga instructor is willing to restart classes in the squash court and we will resume these on Monday 17 August. It was noted that many of the returning members are university students and we will lose them when they return to university.

Alison and Karen have put in a lot of work and thought through the processes and were thanked for their commitment as were the whole team who are doing a fantastic job and obviously care about the centre and the community.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was set for Wednesday 02 September 2020 at 9.45am

The meeting closed at 10.33am

Signed: Date:
Chairman