

PUNCKNOWLE AND SWYRE PARISH COUNCIL

PLAYING FIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held at

16.00 pm on 14 April 2022 at the Playing Field Grounds

Committee Members present at the meeting:

Councillors P G Fry, M Buckland, J Hunt, S Oliver

In attendance, S Bowsher, Clerk

1. PUBLIC TIME

No matters were raised.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting on 21 September 2021 were accepted as a true record. AIF

5. MATTERS ARISING

A suitable replacement seat for the A Frame Swing will be ordered when the full council have approved the expenditure.

M Buckland has removed the Push and Pull Bars as recommended

The cost of replacement football nets including any potential sponsorship will be investigated and a proposal put to the full council.

There is no longer any need to display the Covid Safety Sign.

6. REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

It was agreed that the terms of reference await review and update.

7. REVIEW OF LATEST ROSPA REPORT – ACTIONS REQUIRED

There was some discussion about specific items mentioned in the last Independent Play Area Safety Assessment by K Hussey dated 31 July 2021, and about subsequent observations made when inspecting the area:

- Some woodwork repairs are required on the playhouse (broken plank and banister rail).
- A large part of the wooden fence by the back gate requires repair or replacement.
- Parts of the picnic bench seating need to be replaced.
- It was agreed that replacement plastic caps would be a good idea for the Sovereign Net Wall to help preserve the wood.
- It was agreed to look at cutting back the laurel hedge in the autumn.
- It was agreed that a tree inspection should be arranged next winter.
- The sign detailing the location in the event of accidents has still to be provided.
- There was some discussion about arranging for a Spring Clean Working Party in May with a view to:
 - cleaning the seesaw
 - cleaning some areas of matting and walkways
 - cleaning the monkey bars
 - applying rust treatment to some equipment
 - clearing away fallen twigs and leaves.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place in August unless anything crops up in the meantime.

The meeting ended at 5.15pm