

GUESTLING PARISH COUNCIL / HASTINGS ATHLETIC FOOTBALL TEAM

**MINUTES OF GUESTLING PARISH COUNCIL AND HASTINGS ATHLETIC FOOTBALL TEAM MEETING
HELD MONDAY 27 OCTOBER 2017 7PM AT THREE OAKS VILLAGE HALL**

CHAIR: MARION ROBERTS (MR) – GUESTLING PARISH COUNCIL (GPC)

GUESTLING PARISH COUNCILLORS PRESENT:

DAVID PERETT (DP) ANDREW ELDRIDGE (AE) MARION LANGLEY (ML)

HASTINGS ATHLETIC PRESENT:

GRAHAM KNIGHT IAN BOYLE PAUL WELCH

PARISH CLERK: BRYONY YOUNG (BY) 2 MEMBERS PUBLIC

ITEM	NOTES	ACTION
1	INTRODUCTIONS: Parish Council members, Graham Knight – Chair, Ian Boyle – Under 13s Manager, Welch – Under 7s Manager, residents of property on site at Guestling Playing field	
2	REASON FOR MEETING: MR advised that the meeting had been called to discuss planned works at the site and to get feedback from the club as the prime user of the field and sole user of the pavilion as to suggested future works	
3	PLANNED WORKS: Car parking spaces are being created at the front of the field by the road just inside the entrance and the gate will be moved back (area fenced but with off-road access). This is to allow use of fields and parking without gate being open – Saunters Groundwork have been allocated to carry out the work, this is likely to be done in the New Year and all interested parties will be advised when the work is scheduled	
4	SUGGESTED WORKS: Parish Council put forward suggestion of works they are looking to get priced up : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing car park area by clearing area behind and to the side of the pavilion and enclosing the area with a knee-high fence to stop parking on the grass • Clearing the ditch at the bottom of the field (may be farmers land) to allow better drainage and more use of the ground area • Maybe fencing the drive up to the pavilion/carpark area with a low fence, residents advised they would want access to park car on grass outside their property and that if it was a single track a passing place would be required • Purchase of mobile toilet unit as toilets are in bad condition. Football club advised that they have mended as far as possible a leak in the toilets and are keeping them as clean/useable as can, turning the water off after every matchday • Padlock and key full change suggested as we do not have a list of keyholders • DP asked if there was any way of getting funding via the FA or Sports Council for any works, Graham Knight advised that to apply for anything like that, proof of a long term contract would need to be provided however Hastings Athletic advised that they do have a pool of “volunteers” that they feel may be able to help if works were planned 	
5	MOWING OF FIELD: Hastings Athletic advised that Cllr Macpherson had been up and mowed the weekend previous to the meeting and that the Parish Council smaller mower was now up and in the Parish Council container MR advised that the mowing of the field had always been a “word-of-mouth” agreement with the football club that the football club mowed the pitches and the Parish Council did the outer areas Large mower in storage container owned by Parish Council, engine seized up? £2k’s work was done on it 4-5 years ago but currently the storage container is not watertight. MR to get price for tarpaulin for top of container to keep new mower dry for now. Football Club advised they would be happy to do all mowing if either the large mower was mended (roller could also then be used as has connection for this mower) or Parish Council was willing to purchase a mower that was up to the task (larger than current sit on mowers owned by PC and football club) – BY to obtain quotes for : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mend of current large mower • Possibility of trade in value for larger mower against new mower up to spec. 	<div>MR</div> <div>BY</div>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AE to investigate cost of higher spec. mower Companies to ask for quotes : Sussex Mowers/Battle Mowers/Station Mowers, Roberstbridge (MODEL : RANSOMES COMMANDER 3500DX)	AE
6	COMMUNICATION: Residents advised that communication with the football club was now good, Parish Council and football club decided that another meeting scheduled for end February would be helpful to see how things were progressing	
7	OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES: Bowls Club, BY to send email to advise of planned works on car park and advise that when work is done should drive along new fence to get to Bowls Club to avoid pitches, also advise that we will be changing keys and padlocks but that they will be advised before this happens and we will then need a list of keyholders	BY
8	A.O.B.: None	
	<p>THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL/FOOTBALL CLUB MEETING WILL BE END FEBRUARY 2018 , DATE TBA</p> <p>BRYONY YOUNG – PARISH CLERK 07730 015684 guestling.clerk@gmail.com</p>	