



January Meeting Monday 17th January 2020

Present:

Glenda Stephens, Barry Norrington, Jenny Hurley, Cllr Joy Redsell, Andy Gaut, Geoff Appleton, Joanne Wintour, Maggie Yuan, Pat Pohl, John France

Apologies for absence:

L Hughes, T Rawson, T Hills, P Chesworth, G Heapy, M Adams

Matters arising from previous minutes:

One of the Active Essex courses mentioned last meeting was cancelled. No other feedback.

Following the last meetings discussion about encouraging children into sport, Pat Pohl (F&D Bowls Club) reported that they had 16 children from Corringham Primary School play bowls. This is to continue in the summer.

On Friday 17th April there will be a bowls drive at Blackshots from 9am. Hopefully new players will take part.

No further action has been taken on the failed petition to the council. We need to leave it for now and look at this again in the future.

Following discussion about the future of the Sports Council at the last meeting, a meeting was held with Cllr A Watkins and Jahur Ali. The meeting was positive but nothing further has happened. Cllr Redsell explained that we are still waiting for the Sports Strategy to be published, which hopefully will be positive.

Grays Athletic are still trying to secure a permanent home.

Money has been set aside for a roundabout on Stanford Road to serve the schools and any future sport at Blackshots.

Council meetings can be watched online.

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improvement to the greens. They have a liaison committee with representatives from the 4 clubs. Fobbing and District Bowls Club are looking to do this.

Chairman's report:

L Hughes reported he was going to contact the Prime Minister about funding for grass root sport. Cllr Redsell suggested it would be better to contact Thurrock MPs J Doyle-Price and S Medcalfe.

Secretary's report:

A message from T Hills, Orsett and Thurrock CC thanked the Sports Council for their financial support as they have been able to qualify more coaches, some at higher levels. ECB are running two new schemes to get more children involved in cricket – Dynamos Cricket and All Stars Cricket. Orsett are the 2nd largest participating club in Essex. They are also getting parents involved. They are planning to develop their clubhouse into a community club.

Treasurer's report:

See accounts at the end of minutes.

Grants awarded can be seen on the accounts.

Our money has dropped from £20000 some years ago to just over £5000. Next year is the last of the 3 years at this rate. Very little left now for this year. If the grant is not increased, we will have to consider the future.

Fobbing Bowls Club have a provisional £7500 from Sport England to work on the maintenance of their green. There was discussion about bowls clubs managing their own grounds. The 4 clubs at Blackshots manage the area together and the contractor has made a great improvement to the greens. They have a liaison committee with representatives from the 4 clubs. Fobbing and District Bowls Club are looking to do this.

AOB:

We need to publicise and promote the Sports Council. The objectives are not just to give grants but to support clubs. It is not felt the Sports Council should be raising grants but a sponsor might be acceptable. There is not enough money to put on events like the Festival of Sport it used to run. Once the Council Sports Strategy is published, we can consider options.

Andy Gaut has offered to take over the Sports Council Facebook and will contact Liz Cox.

Thurrock Tennis Club has a lot of children playing but without floodlights can only hold Saturday sessions in the winter. They can use the floodlit courts at St Clere's School

but this is expensive. They need to find ways to develop and would like under cover courts.

The pavilions at Blackshots are being removed so some green areas being given back. This will allow other sporting projects at Blackshots.

After the May local elections Secretary will inform all clubs who is the portfolio holder for sport. Aaron Watkins holds this post at present.

G Stephens informed the meeting about the development at Palmer's Campus of USP. Thurrock Hockey Club and Pegasus Palmerians Rugby Club are working together to develop a clubhouse at Palmer's. The college support this venture as they are keen to develop sport at Palmer's.

At the meeting we were informed that there is a London Marathon fund – while writing the minutes I researched it and it is for *All the London boroughs and the City of London and Surrey*.

G Appleton informed the meeting that Coalhouse Fort Radio Yacht Club pay a fee to the Coalhouse Fort to help maintenance and development of the fort, they do not hire the area from the council. National events are held at the fort.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 17th - AGM

Barclays Bank Balance			£	£	
As at 1 st April 2019				45.37	
Income					
	17/05/19		5,387.00		CVS Grant
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Funds Available				5,432.37	
Less Expenditure		Chq			
Operational Costs		No			
Les Hughes	17/02/20	102229	50.00		Honorary Chair
Jenny Hurley	17/02/20	102230	50.00		Honorary Sec
Glenda Stephens	17/02/20	102231	50.00		Honorary Vice Chair
Thomas Lambert	17/02/20	102232	50.00		Honorary Web Master
Barry Norrington	17/02/20	102233	50.00		Honorary Treasurer
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Sub Total Op. Costs			261.02		
Grants					
S.E.D.C.B.	02/07/19	102216	361.50		Women and Girls Cricket Coaching
Charlotte Waters	02/07/19	102217	150.00		Under 13 Girls cricket at Essex CC
Orsett & Thurrock CC	29/07/19	102218	700.00		2 x Level two Coaching Courses
K Riley-La Borde	02/07/19	102219	500.00		110 metre Hurdler sponsorship
Olivia Busby	09/10/19	102220	500.00		Weight-Lifter sponsorship
Belhus CC	09/10/19	102221	250.00		Youth team Coach- Coaching Course
Grays Yamaguchi Koju-Kai	09/10/19	102222	265.00		Coaching Course in Bern Switzerland
Thurrock Swimming Club	09/10/19	102223	395.00		1 x Level1 Coaching Course
Orsett & Thurrock CC	17/10/19	102224	750.00		3 x Level two Coaching Courses
Charlotte Waters	03/01/20	102225	150.00		Winter Cricket Training
South Essex Cricket Board	14/01/20	102226	510.00		Girls and Women's Cricket Development
Corringham Cosmos YFC	14/01/20	102227	230.00		FA level 2 coaching courses x 2
Blackshots Green Liason	06/02/20	102228	200.00		Sponsorship
Sub Total Grants			4,961.50		
Expenditure for the Period ending 17 th February 2020				5,222.52	
Balance Available at at 17 th February 2020				209.85	
Barry Norrington					
Hon Treasurer					
February 17 th 2020					

