

Glaphorn Playing Field Association

GPFA Meeting Minutes: Wednesday 09/12/2020 (Video Conference)

Present: MM, SB, EI, JC-J & NK

1. Apologies – Debs Carmichael, Cheryl Scott, Naomi Green

2. Minutes reviewed, agreed and signed by NK.

3. Review of Actions

NK has approached various parties for quotes for appropriate mowers and also for paying for cutting. MM – Turneys (who are the village cutters) would charge £130 per cut if they were to do it while cutting the village grass – they only cut 8 times a year. We would probably be looking at a totally cost of £2K p.a. MM – the Parish Clerk has signed off the accounts and they have been sent on to Bulley Davey but with the year end they are unlikely to get to them before January. MM has contacted Greg Bliss regarding use of his machine but not heard back yet. NK – we have been offered a ½ shipping container from Roger Bettley at a reasonable price but we would need to clad it externally. Roger has also offered us a second hand ride-on mower. NG has sent round some information but the committee decided that it would be better to delay making a decision until we have properly explored all the options. JC-J has spoken to a friend with experience of playing fields and most seem to use storage containers as these are the most secure.

4. Current status update – discuss possibility of opening elements prior to Christmas

- NK has been to the playground on a frosty morning and pavement was very slippery. We will need to think about gritting/salting it. We have been given permission to take some from the allotments temporarily but we should look into acquiring a grit/salt bin for the car park. **JC-J to look into bin options.**
- MM- Hydra-brake inspected on 9th Dec and all signed off. Waiting for the report which will then go to Northants to have planning discharged.
- Fencing has been ordered and was expected this week but not arrived yet. Hopefully it will be next week (Update: fencing has now been fitted).
- Barrier has been purchased and will be here next week. Carrick will be digging the holes on the Tuesday and will put it in place on Thursday. (Update – barrier arrived too late. Carrick will look at fitting it during the first week in January)
- Play area has been started but ground conditions have not been good. Equipment due to arrive 10th December. MM has informed them that car park is not designed with lorries in mind so they will need to be careful unloading.
- Gym equipment has been delayed until January.

- NK asked what the distance will be between the Field and the gym equipment – MM think it will be about 7 metres.
- MM has ordered padlocks for main gates and for kissing gate until play area is open.
- No need to rota over Christmas as everything will be shut.

5. Insurance:

a. Review of what will be covered & quote

Playground equipment will be covered for up to £30K – SB needs quotes for equipment to send to insurers. Discussion about whether play equipment was already covered by Parish Council insurance. (Update – as Glapthorn Playing Field Association is operating as a separate entity and not as a subcommittee of the Parish Council separate insurance is needed).

Sporting injuries should be covered by the associations and school using the facilities.

Trustee indemnity insurance provides protection for trustees – covers legal costs and damages etc.

b. When do we want it to begin?

Its not needed until the playground is finished and open. They are able to provide same-day cover.

6. Conditions of Hire – **Decision to postpone to future meeting**

- a. Comments on proposed document
- b. Confirmation of rental fees (village discount?)
- c. Accept document for use?

7. Storage building/Shed/Container – **Decision to postpone to future meeting**

- a. Review of options
- b. Vote on how to proceed

8. School Update

SB to write to school regarding Mrs Mayes opening the gate for breakfast club and opening the car park on 6th January (first day of new term). (Update: Mrs Mayes is happy to unlock the gate. School will hold-fire on updating parents regarding car park until everything is definitely in place.)

9. AOB

Discussion regarding possible fundraising effort – to collect and dispose of Christmas trees for a donation. Agreed to try and find a chipper or chipper services at an appropriate cost (or ideally free) before leafletting the village. SB to create a suitable flyer.

Table of Actions

Person Responsible	Action Required	Date Completed?
EI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	
NG	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	
NK	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NK has been asked to put together a “vision” of how it would work for Head to pass on to Rutland Learning Trust with recommendations.	
MM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To send SB details of equipment for insurance	
SB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SB to write to Head re car park opening and Mrs Mayes	
JC-J	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To look into grit bins	
EVERYONE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•	

NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 20th January 2021