**MINUTES OF THE**

**BURTON JOYCE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held Tuesday 30th September 2014**

**Library, Meadow Lane, Burton Joyce at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs C Blandamer, Cluff , Fife, Greenfield, Hazard, Hutt, Hyde, Potter & Wells

**In Attendance:** Jackie Dawn (Parish Clerk), David List (Ground & Amenities Manager)

**14/835 Apologies:** Cllrs P Blandamer & Johnson

**14/836 Declarations of Interest:** None received

**14/837 Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd September 2014**

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd September 2014 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**14/838** **Proposed Development of 3G Pitch at the Poplars Sports Ground**

The business case prepared by Cllr Steve Cluff in relation to the proposed development of a 3G pitch at the Poplars Sports Ground had been previously circulated. Members discussed the financial implications of the proposal and noted the risks involved with costs necessary prior to commencement of project. The commitment and support of the existing football clubs, local primary school and outdoor fitness groups were noted. It was understood that any issues relating to noise and lights from the proposed development would be addressed as part of the planning process. It was agreed that the report would be amended to include comparisons with similar facilities in the area. Following a full and frank discussion and assurances that all aspects of the application would be presented to full Council for discussion and approval, it was ***resolved*** to progress with the outline plan for development of a 3G pitch during 2015/16 at the Poplars Sports Ground and to approve the following criteria, which forms part of the outline plan:

 (a) Application will be made to Football Foundation for funding to the value of 50% of total cost

(b) Application will be made to Sport England for funding to the value of £150,000

(c) Additional funding streams will be pursued

(d) A planning application will be submitted to Gedling Borough Council for the 3G pitch based on designs provided by the Football Foundation

 (e) A request will be made to Severn Trent Water for an extension of the lease period in respect of the ‘out of phase’ boundary strip

(f) The Parish Council will commit to a maximum financial investment of up to £40,000 in order to support the 3G pitch to completion and this could include an application to an approved lender for a loan following correct procedure and protocols

(g) Development of a Burton Joyce Village Sports Strategy to encourage increased participation in sports by all age groups, gender and abilities and to encourage healthy living and longevity

(h) The Parish Council will seek to secure contractual commitments from potential 3G pitch users, for example Burton Joyce Junior & Senior Football Clubs, other home teams and Burton Joyce Primary School

(i) Negotiate with Severn Trent Water re transfer of lease in respect of the Fisherman’s Car Park.

It was further ***resolved*** to formalise arrangements for a 3G Pitch Working Group.

**14/839 Information Update**

 None presented

***Meeting closed at 8.20pm***

***Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 7th October 2014***