



EARLS BARTON SPORTS & LEISURE PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 4th November 2024 at The Grange Sports Field

Present: Cllr Peter Morrall (Chair), Cllr Jayne Bond, Chris Ellis (EBCC), Bob Entwistle, Matt Kennedy (EBCC), Antony Owen (EUFUC), Paul Smith (EBS&CT) (arrived at 8.15pm), Rosie Smart (EBPC)

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Tim Brennan and from Paul Smith for late arrival.

2. Meeting held 1st October 2024

(a) Approval of Minutes - It was agreed to approve the minutes.

3. Project Update –

- Archaeology is complete with minimal find. It has been agreed that the existing report (WSI) can be updated rather than producing a new report.
- A meeting was held with Slatters and Fieldturf. The only item outstanding is the lighting, due to the bat corridor, and they will submit all their items to discharge their conditions as one application once this is resolved.
- The updated costs for a January start date have been received with an increase of £56,000. We are currently asking for these to be clarified as some of the delay has been due to the contractor. Once clarified, a letter of intent will be issued.
- A meeting is needed to determine the programme. They may be a requirement to start works on drainage/services in November so as not to interfere with the build of the AGP.
- Thanks were expressed to Antony for his continued hard work.

4. Planning Status

- Applications have been submitted by RS to discharge our pre-commencement conditions.
- Richard Colson has been appointed to submit a Section 73 application for the changes to the pavilion.

5. Site Actions/Handover Status with DWH –

- A meeting has arranged with DWH on 8th November.
- A list of priorities was drawn up to discuss at the meeting.
- AO is happy to lead the meeting.

- 6. EBPC Update** – parish councillors were reminded of their responsibility in making informed decisions and that they are culpable for all decisions made regarding the development.
- 7. Budget Update Review**
- The whole scheme is to be priced up and we will need to consider what can and can't be afforded, taking into account the funds released due to the removal of car parking.
 - Once the scheme has been priced up, we need to look at grants and fundraising.
 - Items such as the stand and cricket nets fall outside of the Football Foundation bid and we, therefore, need to fund them ourselves.
 - RS is organising the updated consultation for the PWLB loan.
- 8. Funding Update/Discussion**
- (a) Football Foundation Funding** – FF have confirmed that EBPC can invoice for funding through the project.
- (b) North Northants Council** – RS to chase up.
- (c) Other funding**
- Buy a Brick to be launched before Christmas.
 - PS to chase up Garfield Weston.
 - MK to look into “Change to The Grange” campaign to collect spare change.
- 9. Publicity**
- It was noted that the article in the November issue of Barton Today was well received.
- 10. Earls Barton Sports and Community Trust Update (PS)**
- There is a vacancy for Secretary due to BE stepping down at the end of the year.
 - BE to draw up a role description to assist potential candidates.
 - It was noted that there is currently no trustee for EBUFC.
- 11. Any Other Business (All)** – none raised.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 3rd December 2024