



EARLS BARTON SPORTS & LEISURE PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 3rd February 2025 at The Grange Sports Field

Present: Cllr Peter Morrall (Chair), Cllr Jayne Bond, Cllr Tim Brennan, Matt Kennedy (EBCC), Paul Smith (EBS&CT), Rosie Smart (EBPC)

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Antony Owen.

2. Meeting held 7th January 2025

(a) **Approval of Minutes** – it was agreed to approve the minutes.

3. Project Update –

- As some pre-commencement conditions have not been approved, the start date has been rearranged to 3rd March. This is dependent on the outstanding planning conditions being discharged.
- Meetings are being held with Slatters, Fieldturf, MGAC and Football Foundation to ensure that all parties are kept informed.

4. Planning Status

- Some pre-commencement conditions which are the responsibility of Slatters remain outstanding.
- A section 184 licence is required from NNC Highways to allow access before work can begin on site.
- The Construction Environmental Management Plan has been resubmitted and needs approval.
- ECB are to be contacted about concerns raised relating to lighting on the cricket training nets. MK advised that no lighting is required on the nets.
- The conditions relating to the Electric Vehicle Charing Point has been discharged.
- MK asked whether the water supply will go under the AGP. To be answered by the next meeting.

5. Site Actions/Handover Status with DWH –

- Meetings have been held with DWH.
- A section 104 application has been made by DWH with Anglian Water to determine how much drainage water from the AGP can be fed into DWH's sud. There may still be a need for a soakaway/storage tank.

- DWH can only provide 110kwh. A loading assessment has been carried out on the existing pavilion and confirms that there is 88kwh capacity available. Slatters has been asked to provide a breakdown of the external lighting.
- 6. EBPC Update** – no update.
- 7. Budget Update Review** – no update.
- 8. Funding Update/Discussion**
- (a) Football Foundation Funding** – no update.
 - (b) North Northants Council** – awaiting confirmation of how the payment will be made.
 - (c) Other funding**
 - Buy a Brick – currently raised £2000-£3000. The scheme will be relaunched once the build starts.
 - ECB – MK has investigated funding from ECB for environmental initiatives, and needs to know exactly what we are applying for.
 - PS has applied to Howden’s for their “free kitchen” grant.
 - Sam Weller has applied to Nationwide’s funding scheme.
 - Donations to EBS&CT have been raised at the funeral of George Blackwell.
- 9. Publicity**
- Next publicity to be based around the start of the build.
 - Consideration to be given to publicising the development at Earls Barton Carnival and the Soap Box Derby.
 - Also, create a display for Earls Barton Library and Community Centre.
- 10. Earls Barton Sports and Community Trust Update (PS)**
- EBS&CT will hold their next meeting on 17th February.
 - Lesley Baker has agreed to act as Secretary until the right person can be recruited.
 - Agenda items will include a discussion on a fitting tribute to George Blackwell.
 - The Trust will also consider holding a pitch hire/partner enquiries open day.
- 11. Any Other Business (All)** - none

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 4th March 2025