



## **EARLS BARTON SPORTS & LEISURE PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM**

### **Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 at The Grange Sports Field**

Present: Cllr Tim Brennan (Chair), Cllr Jayne Bond, Peter Morrall, Antony Owen (EBUFC), Paul Smith (EBS&CT), Rosie Smart (EBPC)

#### **1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Steve Olloman and Cllr Chris Wood.

#### **2. Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

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

#### **3. Project Update –**

##### **(a) Construction of 3G Pitch, Access Road and Car Parking – Snagging.**

- No resolution has yet been approved for the dividing net.
- Still issues with the lights/timers, which PS will follow up through Shaun Hancock.
- A further payment has been received. RS to check with Shaun Hancock before payment due to the outstanding snagging items.
- First maintenance visit has been held.
- Problems with the EV charging point are been rectified.

##### **(b) Construction of new pavilion**

- Second site meeting held with contractors on 1<sup>st</sup> December (RS to circulate minutes once received). A full report has been requested from Trendgrey by the end of the week.
- Still behind by block and beam work has started and they are confident that they will be on schedule by the Christmas break.
- The bricks originally chosen are not available, so an order has been placed. A red engineering brick below the damp proof course (DPC) has been agreed.
- Internal colours are to be considered by EBS&CT, with a focus on green as the village colours.
- Electricity bills have increased substantially since Trendgrey began work on site, and they have agreed to put timers on the heaters in the drying room and to fit a meter so that the additional charges relating to the construction can be determined.
- UKPS still struggling on agreeing the route for the power supply due to a wayleave over land at White House Industrial Estate and making contact with the landowners.

**(c) Construction of other phases**

- Installation of gym equipment has been postponed until late March due to a bid being made to Awards for All for a grant.
- Work to install the fencing and gate is due to start on Thursday.
- Work has begun on the kitchen in the existing pavilion.
- The cricket nets have been installed.

**4. Planning Status**

- Condition 6 relating to the bat licence has now been approved.
- Application for discharge of conditions 17 and 18 relating to the use of the 3G pitch has not yet been approved. RS to chase up with Slatter if not approved by the end of the week.

**5. EBPC Update**

- No update.

**6. Budget Update Review –**

- No budget update.

**7. Funding Update/Discussion**

- Grant application made to NNC for the installation of solar panels on the existing clubhouse has been approved.
- RS has applied to National Lottery for Awards for All funding for outdoor gym.
- RS to look at Football Foundation Women in Football grant for CCTV, lighting, shared seating area, coffee machine, etc.
- Xmas Buy and Brick has been launched.

**8. Publicity**

- Buy a Brick for Christmas included in December's issue of Barton Today.

**9. Earls Barton Sports and Community Trust Update (PS)**

- Ops Manager, Julie, has started work.
- Caretaker appointed to open/close.
- Additional bookings are being received and there is a waiting list for some sessions.
- A meeting has been held with local residents relating concerns over noise and light pollution. However, it has been noted that all activity is in line with planning and guidance.

**10. Any Other Business (All)**

- None received.

**Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026**