

**Hawkhurst Parish Council - COMMUNITY & SPORTS CENTRE COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting: Monday 7th June 2021 – time 7.45pm KGV Sports Pavilion/zoom**  
**Minutes Dated:1.06.21 Ref: ASM**

**Committee Members Present:**

Cllr M Taylor-Smith, Cllr B Weeden, Cllr J Hunt, Cllr J Pyne and Cllr S Paish  
HCT 2018 Members R McChesney & D Veale

Councillors present but not committee members were Cllr C Escombe & Cllr I Riley  
Members of the public 2. Staff: The Clerk, R Griffiths and Deputy Clerk/RFO A Maxwell

1. Deputy Clerk welcomed everyone.
2. Election of Chairman - Cllr J Hunt Proposed Cllr M Taylor-Smith as Chairman, Seconded by Cllr B Weeden. Unanimously agreed.
3. Election of Vice Chairman - Cllr M Taylor-Smith proposed Cllr J Pyne as Vice-chairman. Seconded by Cllr B Weeden. Unanimously agreed.
4. No members of the public wished to speak
5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: None
6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS; None
7. Structure of this Committee discussed. Cllr M Taylor-Smith proposed to recommend to full Council that two Members from HCT 2018 RM & DV should join this committee. Seconded by Cllr J Pyne. Unanimously agreed.
8. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Approved 4 in favour 1 abstained, SP was not a member of the committee at the time of the previous meeting.
9. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING none
10. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION
  - a) Planning application awaiting last reports before submission. The location of the football pitches has come to light; two options as issued this afternoon by email for discussion below.
  - b) Project cash flow. As at 31.03.21 reserves were £195,267. To be confirmed by our Internal Audit which is currently underway. The first half of the precept of £116k received is in addition to these reserves. There are a number of ring fenced areas in the reserves, war memorial, remaining funds HCT & KGV from grants obtained last year,

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Community & Sports Centre. It was reported that the C&CS fund is currently £115,256. There were concerns around cash flow. It was resolved to be discussed in more detail at SAP Committee & full Council.

- c) Project Plan. Possible phasing of the project was discussed to start deliver something for the community looking at drainage, as football club would like both fields drained, budget suggested £75k, playground suggested budget £60k and building, could be done in two phases. It was resolved more work is required, this to be undertaken by The Clerk & Deputy Clerk.
- i. Operational business plan The trust has been working on this.
- ii. Funding strategy- a group has been set up, and they are working on this area.
- iii. Football pitch specification The Clerk explained the position and the two options. It was Proposed by The Chairman Cllr M Taylor Smith and seconded by Vice Chairman Cllr J Pyne that it was resolved to recommend to full Council to go with option B, particularly as it was felt the football club may be concerned if they lost more land (alternative option) and submit the planning application. Vote 4 in favour 1 abstained. Cllr SP

It was resolved that the Clerk would arrange a meeting by zoom with the football club and architect to discuss in more detail and all Members would be able to attend before the vote at full council.

- iv. Land designation Cllr SP was interested in this area and would like to join the group.

Subgroups were reviewed.

#### 11. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS

A Councillor's asked about the impact on the cost of hall on the precept. Rough estimates had been given before, it was resolved further costing work on this area is required.

A member of the public who had been part of the previous CCWG group asked if he could be included with the project plan/design as he had helped draft the original brief. The Chairman thanked him for his work and agreed to discuss with him outside this meeting how he could contribute.

A Councillor asked a question around what income the current halls generate and the estimated income the new hall is forecast to produce.

The Chairman felt this question was in appropriate at this time.

12.Next meeting to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021 at KGV/Zoom

13.Meeting closed: at 9.47pm

Signed.....Date.....  
Cllr Martin Taylor-Smith, (Chairman)