

**WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE SPORTS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2016 AT 11.00AM**

<b>PRESENT</b>	Councillor Peter Clements (Chairman) Councillor David Bragg Councillor Paula Moore Councillor Carl Powling Councillor Sylvia Wargent Mr C Ainslie, MIRFC Mr C Simmons – Oyster Football Club Mr M Townend, MISA Chairman
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<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Petra Palfreyman, Town Clerk
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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence received from Councillor Robert Jenkins, and Ms C Humphrey (WM Tennis Club).

2. TO CONSIDER AND AGREE REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Chairman confirmed Terms of Reference have been changed and they now only relate to the Glebe. West Mersea Park is now within the Facilities and Assets committee.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2016 AND REVIEW OF THE TASK TRACKER ITEMS

The Minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2016 were agreed. Please refer to the task tracker for other action points.

4. TO DISCUSS THE RUNNING COSTS OF THE GLEBE

West Mersea Town Council proposed that MISA take over the general running costs of the Glebe such as utilities, cleaning and charging for match fees.

5. TO DISCUSS PROPOSALS FOR A NEW MISA LEASE AGREEMENT

MISA were asked to consider managing the Glebe from their own resources and income with an internal repairing lease and West Mersea Town Council would be responsible for the upkeep of the outside of the Pavilion. MISA would be able to generate other income by subletting the facilities. The Clerk requested that West Mersea Town Council is informed of any occasion where a marquee is pitched on the Glebe and/or sales of alcohol take place. MISA agreed that a temporary licence would be obtained on these occasions.

6. TO REPORT ON THE GLEBE TREES

Following discussions with the Tree Preservation Officer at Colchester Borough Council it was recommended that the Field Maple, the small ash trees and the small Oak are removed. This would create some additional parking while retaining the mature oaks. The Council will be voting on the decision again early March 2017.

7. TO DISCUSS THE GRASS TENNIS COURTS

Following discussion it was agreed that the Council approach the Tennis Club with a view to asking them to join MISA, discuss the grass tennis courts and the use of the Tennis Club Pavilion.

8. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 at 10am.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.45pm.