

**WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL**

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

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2020 AT 7PM**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Chris Wood (Chairman)  
Councillor John Akker  
Councillor Dave Bragg  
Councillor Robert Jenkins  
Councillor Carl Powling  
Councillor Sophie Weaver  
Steve Daines (WMCC)  
Graham Lewis (MIRFC)  
Graham Marfleet (MIRFC)  
Nick Reay (WM Tennis Club)  
Matthew Townend (MIFC)  
Lawrence Weber (Oyster FC, MISA Chairman)

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Petra Palfreyman, Town Clerk

THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE CALL (CORONAVIRUS ACT Part 2020 1 Section 78 Regulations 2 – 17)

**20/032 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence received from Graham Pryke (WMCC).

**20/033 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest received.

**20/034 PUBLIC SESSION**

2 members of the public in attendance.

A resident expressed the view that the installation of the proposed new floodlights at Glebe 2 (recently having passed planning approval) should not/could not commence until an adequate health and safety assessment for the installation had been undertaken and until an appropriate lease for MISA and the Glebe had been reached.

A resident also expressed concern that there were still matters outstanding with the Rugby Club's container: namely that the painting of the container had not been commenced in accordance with previous agreements and that the control box was still to be replaced.

Additionally the resident asserted that any plan for a 3G pitch at the Glebe would be incompatible with requirements for public access at the Glebe.

A resident commented that she believed that promises made by MIRFC in respect of the completion of the container and parking marshalling at the Glebe had been reneged upon.

In response to these points, Graham Marfleet (MIRFC) committed to complete the outstanding matters with the container and also to improve parking marshalling at the Glebe on match or training days.

20/035 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 OCTOBER 2020 AND MATTERS ARISING

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2020 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.  
Proposed: Councillor Wood, Seconded: Councillor Akker. ALL IN FAVOUR.

Matters arising: There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

20/036 TO RECEIVE UPDATED RESPONSE FROM MISA TO PROPOSALS AS DETAILED FOR A 25 YEAR OR 7 YEAR LEASE, ON 15 JULY 2020

MISA advised that constituent clubs were agreeable to the proposed terms of a 25 year lease, subject to written confirmation from West Mersea Town Council that such a lease was permissible under the terms of the covenant. West Mersea Town Council committed to gain written assent from the signatories to the Covenant. Additionally it was agreed that the GDPR clause in the H.O.T for the lease be amended to provide for membership numbers only annually for each club.

20/037 TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS FROM MISA IN THE EVENT THAT NO AGREEMENT CAN BE REACHED IN RESPECT OF THE ABOVE PROPOSALS, AS TO ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2021 AND BEYOND

Not applicable since 20/036 provided for agreement.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Outstanding consent from Highways for signage at the Glebe was raised by MISA. West Mersea Town Council committed to again raise this with Highways.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Minutes prepared by Councillor Wood.