

MINUTES OF THE CARWINION PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2025 AT  
11.00 AM  
Mawnan Memorial Hall Rendlesham Room



Present: Cllrs Potter, Stabbins, Biggin, Moyle and Clerk.

*Apologies were sent Cllr Whibley + Cllr Morris*

What do we want to get done in the next 12 months?

Cllrs agreed to proceed in the following order:

1. Field

- a. Top priority to try and secure a purchase of the field- will only be one chance to get it and it's the only chance to secure a large green space that is central to the village.
- b. Pick up Rob's correspondence with Stephen Morgan at Cornwall Farms
- c. Create and submit an expression of interest to by the 7 acre field
- d. Secure an option to purchase- engage solicitor to do this.
- e. Use Ide masterplan as a reference point/ blue print for how to progress such a purchase.

**Cllr Moyle proposed, Cllr Stabbins seconded, resolved to pursue the above steps for obtaining the field. All in favour.**

**Action: Clerk and Cllr Potter to make steps to push forward.**

2. CCF application

- a. Conduct survey of residents to ascertain what they'd like to see in a revamped CPF and if we could secure the other field what would they like to see installed/ built/ planted in it.
- b. Create a list of resident priorities for sporting facilities and more recreational opportunities they want provided along with infrastructure.
- c. Outside party to conduct full review of CPF and potential extra field and work out best layout of field/s based on survey results.
- d. The above must also consider parking and the MUGA
- e. Conduct public consultation on review outcomes- proposed layout, new facilities
- f. Create a masterplan for the phased development of the CPF and its facilities.

**Cllr Potter proposed, Cllr Moyle second, resolved to pursue the CCF funding application for the above process. All in favour.**

**Actions: Quote from Micheal Carter for above work and other providers- Survey writing, postage costs- use CC non-public electoral roll.**

3. Investigate Potential funding pots- Crowdfunding, Sports England, National Lottery etc.

#### 4. MUGA

- a. MUGA will be pursued as part of the overall consultation and proceeding masterplan.
- b. Need to relook at MUGA from a design perspective- concerns were expressed about the current specs for it:
  - i. Size- if was 10 metres longer would be suitable for a 5 a side football pitch and many other sports
  - ii. Its positioning is too close to the pre school
  - iii. Is the surface suitable?
  - iv. The fence is too low- it means when being used other sports can't be played on the wider field in case balls leave the court and vica versa- when cricket is being played there is a danger of a cricket ball hitting someone on the MUGA.
  - v. With no lights ruling out weekday use and no Saturday use as cricket pitch being used it means only day available would be a Sunday for 7-8 months of the year,
  - vi. Noted that any surrounding fence needs to be out of galvanised steel
  - vii. There needs to be 30 metres to any boundary/ hedge/ building on all sides of a MUGA
  - viii. With a consultation positioning and spec may change


#### 5. Other observations

- a. CPF leases needs to be understood fully and re read. Clerk to double check rent being paid.
- b. Questions were asked about the need for a separate woman's pitch to the men's pitch. Cllr Moyle stated that although at first look that seems unreasonable, the soil is heavy clay with poor drainage. Therefore the more pitches and spread out sports areas there are, the less ~~stanking~~ *poaching* pressure of/ on the area.
- c. Ideally some sort of indoor facility would be planned. The weather makes it impossible to play sports all year round so indoor facilities are the best answer if affordable.

Clerk to wait until we have progress on land and then start the CCF application. She will let the stakeholders (Football, Cricket, Pre School, School) know that funding for a consultation is being applied for and what that will entail.

#### 6. Date of next meeting- TBC.

Signed by

  
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Position ..... *CHAIRMAN, MAWNAN PARISH COUNCIL*