

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL
sitting as TUCKER'S RECREATION GROUND TRUST
(Registered Charity No. 300156)

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Trust
held on Monday, 18 May, 2015 at 7.45 pm
in the Old Town Hall, Market Place, Faringdon

TRUST MEMBERS PRESENT: Town Councillors
Andrew Marsden
David Barron
Jane Boulton
James Famakin
Angela Finn
Steve Leniec

Non-Voting Trust Members
Simon Harrington, Faringdon
Town Football Club

IN ATTENDANCE: Hilary Sherman, Clerk & Financial
Officer to the Trust

In the absence of both a Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the members present AGREED that T/Cllr Steve Leniec should chair the meeting until a new Chairman had been elected. It was further AGREED that agenda items 3 & 4 be moved forward on the agenda to be considered after agenda item 1 in order that the new Chairman could be elected as soon as possible.

1/2/15 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Julie Farmer, Al Cane, Dr Mike Wise and from Jonathan Gerrans, Faringdon Judo Club.

3/2/15 Election of Chairman

Steve Leniec proposed Jane Boulton, seconded by Andrew Marsden. There being no other nominations, Jane Boulton AGREED to be Chairman, on the basis that it was noted that her attendance would be restricted due to her many current personal commitments.. The committee acknowledged this and the proposal was CARRIED.

Jane Boulton took over as Chairman at this stage of the meeting.

4/2/15 Election of Vice-Chairman

David Barron proposed Al Cane, seconded by Jane Boulton. There being no other nominations, this proposal was CARRIED, subject to acceptance by Al Cane who was not present at the meeting.

2/2/15 Minutes of Last Meeting: 9 February 2015

The Minutes were AGREED and signed as being a correct record of the meeting held on 9 February 2015. It was NOTED that Scarrotts Funfair was due to visit the park during w/c 22 June 2015

5/2/15 Appointment of Clerk & Financial Officer

Steve Leniec proposed Sally Thurston, seconded by David Barron and this proposal was CARRIED.

6/2/15 Appointment of nominated representatives from the following organisations as Non-voting Trust Members:

Steve Leniec proposed that the following representatives be appointed as non-voting members of the Trust for a further year. This proposal was seconded by David Barron and CARRIED

Simon Harrington - Faringdon Town Football Club
Jonathan Gerrans - Faringdon Judo Club

7/2/15 Financial Matters

- (a) *Year End Accounts 2014/15* were received and APPROVED;
- (b) *Payment of bills:* There were no bills for payment.
- (c) *Town Council Grants:* It was NOTED that requests had been made to Town Council for the £1,000 grant for each financial year 2014/15 and 2015/16. Town Council had agreed to grant £1,000 for 2015/16 only as any earmarked funds for 2014/15 had fallen into reserves. It was NOTED that if the Trust needed funds for a specific project in future, it should make a request to Town Council at that stage;
- (d) *To nominate and approve bank signatories:* In view of the change of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Financial Officer, the following Trust members were nominated and APPROVED as bank signatories:

Jane Boulton
Al Cane
Sally Thurston

8/2/15 Faringdon Football Club

- (a) *To receive update from the club's representative on its current activities:* Simon Harrington reported that the football season had now finished and outlined the team results. The first team and the third team had finished mid table but both had reached Cup Finals. There was the possibility of two youth sides next year, an Under 7's and an Under 15's. There would be 10 or 11 teams in total for the coming season.

Simon then updated the Trust on the Club's plans for extensions and improvements to the pavilion and also tabled a plan of the proposal which would be submitted to the Vale of White Horse District Council for planning permission. In view of the costs, the Club planned to change the changing room block first and then carry out work to the clubhouse in due course. As funding was an issue for the Football Club, it was pointed out to Simon that Lord Faringdon (through the Faringdon Collection Trust) was very supportive of community projects, especially those involving youth. The Faringdon Collection Trust could only give to Charities, (which the Football Club is not) but as Tuckers Recreation Ground Trust (TRGT) is a Charity, Simon was advised that the Football Club should present to TRGT a clear case for funding, based on the youth involvement of the club. TRGT could then make an approach to the Faringdon Collection Trust.

(b) The Trust was asked to consider a request from the Football Club to install a double garage at Tuckers Park instead of the container for which the Trust had previously granted permission. The Trust agreed to this request, in principle, subject to the Football Club checking first with the local planning authority as to whether or not planning permission was needed;

(c) *Annual Rent -To review annual rent as specified in Schedule 3 of the Lease:* It was proposed that the annual rent should be increased to £250 and Simon Harrington, on behalf of the Football Club, agreed to this increase.

9/5/15 Faringdon Judo Club Report

Jonathan Gerrans had sent his apologies for not being able to attend the meeting. No report had been provided.

10/5/15 Public Speaking Time

There were no members of public present.

11/5/15 Any Items for Information Only

There were none.

12/5/15 Meeting Dates 2015/16

The following meeting dates were AGREED:

7 September 2015
14 December 2015
22 February 2016
16 May 2016 (Annual Meeting)