**TUCKER’S RECREATIONAL GROUND TRUST (Registered Charity No. 300156)**

**Minutes of the Trust meeting held on Monday 4th November at 2024**

**in the Jubilee Room, The Pump House at 7.30pm**

Cllrs. present: Wild (Chair)

Boulton

Castle

Ford

Webb

Wise

In Attendance:

Sarah Johnson, Services and Facilities Officer

Margaret Nairne, Town Clerk’s Assistant

Simon Harrington, Faringdon Football Club

Jonathan Gerrens, Faringdon Judo Club

2 members of the public

In attendance remotely: Cllr. Palmer

**1/4/24 Apologies**

Cllr. Farmer, Cllr. Leniec, Cllr. Norris, Cllr. Palmer, Town Clerk

**2/4/24 Minutes of last meeting**

It was PROPOSED that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9th September 2024 be signed as a correct record. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

**3/4/24 Declarations of interest**

None

**4/4/24 Public Question and Speaking Time**

Cllr. Wise proposed that item 5/4/24 (c) be brought forward to enable a member of the public to speak. SECONDED by Cllr. Castle and RESOLVED.

A member of the public spoke about the conflict between the Football Club and dog walkers in Tucker Park, clarifying that the situation with dog fouling has hugely improved from some years ago and that it is important to avoid promoting the idea that all dog walkers are irresponsible.

Cllr. Castle PROPOSED, Cllr. Ford SECONDED and it was RESOLVED to action the following and forward proposed costs to the Finance and Audit Committee:

* Review and update all signage ensuring consistency of wording on all signs.
* These should instruct dog walkers that dogs should be on a lead at all times.
* Include new sign for play area instructing ‘No dogs allowed in this area’.
* Review provision of bins, including whether BIFFA bins are large enough and emptied often enough.

**5/4/24 Tucker Park**

a. Members NOTED an update

b. Members NOTED that the position of the nets when they are not in use has been changed and therefore resolved by the Football Club

c. See item 4/4/24

**6/4/24 Faringdon Football Club**

1. Members NOTED an update including the following:

The club organised an opening evening for the new floodlights with an attendance of around 300 people. The club is adding another under-12s team and now has 10 junior teams. As mentioned before, the club is struggling for space.

The CCTV cameras are ready to go up, including a camera looking over the Play Area. These are being partially paid for with a grant from Thames Valley Police.

1. Members NOTED that the club has decided to purchase 3 x portable team shelters.
2. Members received and considered the use of planters to prevent unwanted car parking. The Clerk will send the club a grant application form if they wish to give a detailed proposal for these and request grant funds.
3. Members NOTED and congratulated the club on another successful season

**7/4/24 Faringdon Judo Club**

1. Members NOTED an update
2. Members received and considered a request from Champion Marshall Arts for a storage shed. Cllr. Wild PROPOSED, Cllr. Castle SECONDED and it was RESOLVED to approve the request for a storage shed to be placed externally at the end of the Judo Dojo building subsequent to details of the shed being presented for final approval.
3. Members NOTED and congratulated the Judo and Martial Arts Club on a very successful season both competitively and in training.

**8/4/24 Items for information**

None.

**Meeting closed at 8 p.m.**