Wortham & Burgate Parish Council

Minutes of Wortham & Burgate Parish Council Playing Field Committee held on Tuesday 20th October 2026 in Wortham Pavilion at 6.45pm

Councillors present: Neil Kewley, Jenny Piper & Susan Wright
Apologies: Nick Castle
Absent: Stephen Beckett-Doyle & Jacky Bradley
In attendance: Jane Wright (Clerk)

1. **Chair's welcome and to consider accepting apologies for absence -** Cllr Wright welcomed everyone to the meeting in the absence of Cllr Castle. Apologies received from Cllr Castle were approved unanimously.
2. **To record declarations of interest and any dispensations from members in any item to be discussed** - None
3. **Public Participation Session** - No members of the public in attendance.
4. **To receive the Clerk's report and any outstanding items/actions** - NGF Play should be coming to repair the 2 bay swing in the next few days. They have been asked that while on site, they quote to make the area around the climbing wall/slide tidier. The spares for the basket swing have arrived and are waiting to be fitted.
   Top Garden Services have been contacted to ascertain when the contract for the grass cutting will come to an end. The contract is a rolling one and it is likely that the rate for 2027/28 will increase by 5% to cover the ever increasing fuel costs etc - agreed unanimously to continue.
5. **To consider and agree on the Sports Rents for 2026/27 for WLTC** - At the last Playing Field Committee meeting it was agreed to increase the rent from £900 to £1000. The tennis club has been officially informed of the increase but as yet no response. Cllr Wright proposed that the invoices be sent, seconded Cllr Piper and unanimously agreed. Clerk to invoice
6. **To consider and agree a request for the use of the Football Pitch by Diss Under 11'** - The representative from Diss under 11's was not in attendance.
7. **To consider, discuss and agree to the Play Inspection Invitation for 2027** - The Clerk had circulated the invitation from MSDC for the Play Inspection for 2027. There are 3 optional extras (full DDA Assessment, Play Value Assessment and Estimated Life Expectancy Assessment) and Cllr Wright proposed that the inspection go ahead together with all 3 of the optional extras, seconded Cllr Piper and unanimously agreed. Clerk to respond to the invite.
8. **To receive items from Councillors -** Cllr Piper asked if the cover on the springy horse could be replaced as it is looking a little worse for wear. Clerk to look at a replacement and also if this is something that is easily replaced.
9. **To discuss correspondence received** - covered elsewhere on the agenda
10. **To receive items for the next agenda** - Springy Horse Cover
11. **Date and time of next meeting -** TBA
12. **Meeting close -** 7.05pm

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