

# Cricket & Football Vision WP

15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

3.00 PM - ZOOM

Present: Cllrs Dawn Glenville (Chair), Keith Lynch, Rob Mayne, Mary Sherwin, Barry Walker,  
Paul Williams

Juliet Perry, Principal Officer  
Andy Harrison, Estates Officer

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All members of the working party were present.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

Minutes of the meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022 had been circulated and were agreed as an accurate record.

3. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM BURBAGE & STOKE GOLDING CRICKET CLUB AND FC BURBAGE REGARDING SUSPENSION OF FOOTBALL TRAINING AT HINCKLEY ROAD RECREATION GROUND

Members discussed the circulated emails that had been received from Ben Waters, Secretary of BSGCC and Phil Stockton, chairman of FC Burbage following the meeting held with them on 9<sup>th</sup> February. It was clear from the correspondence that Council's decision to suspend football training at Hinckley Road Recreational Ground was of great concern to both the football and cricket clubs. Members were steadfast in their primary reasons for having taken the decision to suspend football training. Following lengthy discussion and having investigated all avenues as to feasibility of possible short term training provision alternatives to the end of this season, members agreed to refer back to Council the following:

RECOMMENDATION

- That resolution by Council, on recommendation of the Cricket & Football Working Party, at their meeting on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022, minute number 128.5 be reversed. "That all football training to cease forthwith at Hinckley Road Recreation Ground, with eventual withdrawal of football from the site when possible, pending successful implementation of alternative pitch provision at another location."

And that:

- Football training to re-commence at Hinckley Road Recreation Ground from 5<sup>th</sup> March 2022 until the end of this season, with the eventual withdrawal of football from the site when possible, pending successful implementation of alternative pitch provision at another location.

Pending consideration by Council, Principal Officer to write to both clubs to advise of outcome and expectations.

4. QUOTATIONS FOR GROUNDWORKS AT SKETCHLEY HILL FARM RECREATIONAL GROUND

3 quotations for groundworks to regrade and level off historic ditches and hollows at Sketchley Hill Farm Recreational Ground and lower 3 land drain covers had been circulated. Estates Officer provided information on the timescale required to facilitate additional pitch provision at the site.

**RECOMMENDATION**

- That quotation "A" in the sum of £7950.00 plus VAT be accepted, Estates Officer to liaise with contractor to arrange an immediate start to the groundworks.

5. ARTIFICIAL WICKET INSTALLATION AT HINCKLEY ROAD RECREATIONAL GROUND

Correspondence received from Tom Payne, Chairman BSGCC had been circulated. Following the in principal decision to approve installation of an artificial wicket alongside the existing cricket square, members were satisfied that this would not extend the cricket outfield. Members agreed installation of an artificial wicket and were supportive of the efforts being put into improvements being made by BSGCC for cricket in Burbage. Preparations and works to be overseen by, and to the satisfaction of, the Estates Officer.

6. TEMPORARY TOILET FACILITIES AT SKETCHLEY HILL FARM RECREATIONAL GROUND

This item was dealt with by recommendations at Note 3.

The meeting closed at 4.35pm