

**Minutes of Ackworth Parish Council Playing Field and Changing Rooms Committee
held on Monday 2 November 2009 at the Parish Council Community Centre
commencing at 5 pm**

Present: Cllr A Garbutt, in the Chair

Cllrs S Balfour, R Barnsley, D Johnson, W Storey and S Tonkinson

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Apologies

No Apologies were received.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2009

2.1 Cllr Johnson proposed that the minutes were a true record. The Chairman duly signed them.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Litterbin – this has been repaired.

3.2 Water leak at Brackenhill – work still to be carried out

3.3 Toilet facilities at Brackenhill and Low Ackworth – the Clerk had written to both groups who both indicated that junior football teams could use the facilities providing they paid for them at the correct hourly rate. It has been suggested that an additional unit could be purchased to be bolted on to the Youth Centre and Brackenhill Centre this would be at a cost to the football teams with the aid of grant money.

3.4 A letter had been received following complaints about the use of Low Ackworth field by the football teams. It was agreed to look at the cost to erect fencing to prevent cars, motorbikes gaining access to the football field, this would allow the sheltered housing residents some peace.

4. To receive an up date on the number of team's using/applying to use the facilities for the 2009/10 season

4.1 The Clerk reported that the following teams were using the facilities:

**Carr Bridge field & Changing Rooms –
Football pitch:**

Ackworth United AFC – paid £385

Ackworth Juniors – u 16's – not paid

Rugby pitch:

Ackworth Juniors – u 10's – not paid

Ackworth Jaguars ARLFC – form received 28 Sept – no payment
Received.

Low Ackworth – Ackworth Juniors – u 12's – not paid

Ackworth Juniors – u 11's – not paid

Brackenhill - Ackworth Juniors – u 11's – not paid

Ackworth Juniors – u 14's – not paid

Ackworth Allstars – u 7's – matches on Saturday mornings – paid £155

4.2 Ackworth Juniors u 14's have been paying on an adhoc basis. The coach Mr Hassall has currently paid a total of £220 for training sessions and one match. Mr Hassall was asked to put in writing the payment arrangements for training sessions but has yet to do so.

4.3 Ackworth Juniors have not stated in writing to the Council their payment arrangements for training sessions, although it does state in the minutes of their committee meeting dated 7 October that "As per the final proposal from the Parish it was agreed that no team would

collect subs for training when they are using the Parish Council facilities. Each team have their own format for collecting subs and this would continue with the above remit.”

4.4 Ackworth Allstars have not responded in writing but their only team to use Parish Council facilities has paid for the use of the field.

4.5 It was agreed that if any of the junior teams who do not normally use our fields wished to play on them they would be allowed to do so providing there were no other bookings and they would be charged £20 per match/training session.

4.6 It was further agreed that priority would be given to any team paying and actively supporting the future of the playing fields.

5. To discuss teams training on the playing fields

5.1 The Chairman reported that there had been several e-mails and letters between Ackworth Jaguars ARLFC and the Council re their use of the facilities. It was indicated in one of the e-mails from Ken McCluskey that the team were willing to pay for the use of the field for matches but was unable to fund the training evenings, as this cost is over £1000. The Chairman and Cllr Mrs Garbutt met with Mr McCluskey at the Cricket Club to briefly discuss the issue whilst giving no assurances in any regard. Mr McCluskey did indicate that the Rugby club were looking to purchase a generator to use for floodlights; this would mean a considerable saving on electricity costs from the changing rooms. We have to date received no further indication of their intentions re training.

They're being no further business the meeting closed at 5.45 pm.