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Minutes of committee meeting March 24th 2011

Attending: Paul Oldring Chairman Chris Hutchins Treasurer
Lynne Hutchins Secretary Bill Fry Football
Steve Fionda Caretaker

Apologies: Tony Turner Football Jill Hamilton Bookings
Odette Henderson Fundraising

Accounts, stand at £9,528.86, £600 more than February. The main reason for the increase was the proceeds from Fiona's quiz, in partnership with the school, which came to £354.05, the rest being from rental income. Chris has invoice a customer for the damage caused by their party to the toilets and is awaiting payment. The grass cutting grant is due to be paid now and he has invoiced Kats for the annual rental of the stage.

Chris received the official report from Dunlop services about the state of the play park and he is contacting Wickstead's for the replacement boards to the multi play area and two seats for the Jolly Gerald seesaw. We will then get a contractor to replace these parts as soon as possible.

It was noted in the February minutes that the change of deposit for 14 – 21 year old parties should read £250 and not £500, this was a clerical error.

Steve Fionda reported that because the bookings are up obviously the cleaners' bill has increased pro rata. The light bulb in the main hall that had failed has been replaced and he is starting the grass cutting in the play park and the surrounding area of the hall. Steve also reported that there is possible interest from another user group. They would be using the hall for a juggling school, he showed the prospective group around the hall.

Bill Fry has had another meeting with B and D about the prospect about getting a grant for refurbishing the changing rooms, to make it possible to use both pitches at the same time.

He will also be contacting the probationary services with the view of asking them to help with the maintenance of the grounds, as they have done for the past two years. He will be also asking them if they have sufficient hours available, to re-stain the woodwork on the outside of the building.

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Bill Fry reported that the football is doing okay with the exception of water-logging of the pitch during January and February, this was caused by extensive blockage of Bulls' Lane, north end of the field, which used to be the old route of the footpath, needing maintenance. Having contacted the Parish Council in the past, who don't seem to be in a position to help us with this problem. Paul suggested that Lynne writes to David King, the manager of Sydmonton Farm Estates to see if they can spike the pitches plus help us with this problem.

Paul reported that S & C Slatter Ltd, have supplied us with the proposed location plan for synthetic pitch, which B and D planning dept have asked us to provide with our plans.

It was confirmed by the committee that the proposed date of the AGM would be on Thursday 14th April at 7.30 pm in the hall.

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