

CLUB PIRTON

NOTES ON A MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 14 OCTOBER 1993 at 8pm IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
David Chambers
Pato Diaz
Tom Gammell
Michael Goddard
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Nick Sheridan
Andrew Sparks
Joy Stimson ✓

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Apologies: Tim Harley
John Hayes

Action

It was proposed that Joy Stimson take the Minutes of the Meeting

Michael Goddard explained that he was present at the meeting as an individual and not as a member of the Parish Council.

Tom Gammell had written on behalf of the group to the Parish Council to ask them to defer any decision on the future of the Recreation Ground until such time as we had been able to present a proposal. Copy of the letter was viewed by all present.

It was felt that the group were looking for a similar agreement to that previously held by Pirton Football Club. The group made up of villagers, would want to control the facilities at the Recreation Ground for the use of the villagers and would not run it to the detriment of the villagers which had at one time been the case of Pirton Football Club who had been anti-villagers. It was felt that it must be run for the community as a whole taking into account all the requirements of villagers. It was agreed that representatives from the Parish Council should be on the Committee and that the Recreation Ground Committee, a sub-committee of the Parish Council should disband.

FINANCE

The Group should ensure that it was financially viable and take responsibility for the operation, maintenance of the grounds, pavilion, etc. It was stated that it would require at least £2,000 just to maintain it as it was e.g. electricity, Council Tax, water, etc. The Parish Council has agreed to maintain the grounds at minimum cost subject to them being in control of the lettings. It was felt that we should control the lettings and we would then have to take on the costs of maintenance, i.e. grass cutting. Sponsorship was discussed and unsecured loans of £100 should be sought from founder members. A copy of the agreement with

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Pirton Football Club is attached for your information.

BAR

It was agreed that initially this should be run on a voluntary basis. It would require a team of people with perhaps one person in control. There would need to be a degree of honesty and in order to leave no money on the site the problem of people leaving the premises with large amounts of cash on them late at night would have to be considered. There was a requirement for capital in order to replace the coolers, pipework, optics, etc. Andrew Sparks agreed to approach two/three breweries to discuss a brewery loan which would be repaid by barrelage. Greene King was suggested as they had previously been very receptive to a proposition when the Football Club was looking into the situation 2/3 years ago. Michael Goddard and Tom Gammell offered to attend as well.

MEMBERSHIP

It was agreed that the subscriptions should be high enough to make them worthwhile but not too high to make it exclusive. It was agreed that the format should be Families - £10, Single Adult - £7.50, Student, OAP or Junior - £5.

FACILITIES

The facilities currently available were a cricket pitch, 2 football pitches, pool table, dartboard. A table tennis table could be erected in the pavilion. It was agreed that family facilities were important. No pub in the village had facilities for families. A fruit machine could also be installed, costly on licence £900 and rental but according to figures obtained from the Football Club this made over £3000 profit. (Copy of PFC accounts 92/93 attached.) The security aspect was discussed and it was felt that a brick enclosure could be constructed to make it more secure. It was not feasible to empty the machine each time as the tubes contain approximately £300 and the time to empty it was not acceptable.

Pirton Cricket Club use the facilities for approximately 15 weeks a year from end of April to end of September this includes wives and children.

There had been interest shown in the use of the facilities for the local Youth Club, Pumkin Club had written to us to advise they would be interested in using the Pavilion for their meetings, there was also the possibility of hiring the facilities for 18th, 21st birthday parties, children's birthday parties, and any other form of celebration - 40ths, etc.

It was felt that the possibility of building two tennis courts was feasible in the near future and perhaps later a bowling green subject to land being available.

GRANTS

Grants could be obtained from the Sports Council and local trusts and charitable funds particularly for Youth projects. Grants could be applied for equipment for

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Junior sections to a Football Club, Cricket Club and if used by the Youth Club or by the Youth in the village amenities in the Pavilion could be provided and in the future Tennis Club .

NAME

After much deliberation it was decided we should call ourselves 'Club Pirton'.

INSURANCE

Due to the numerous break ins, the building was not really insurable against theft as the premium was so high. It was covered for fire damage.

GENERAL

It was agreed that we should look into how other villages run their Sports and Social Clubs, i.e. Offley and Codicote suggested.

A fly sheet should be circulated around the village if, and when our proposal is agreed to get interest of all villagers of the facilities we would be offering.

Tom Gammell had received a letter from Dick Woodward and this was read out to those present.

Liability was to be considered.

NEXT MEETING

This was arranged to take place on Thursday, 28 October at 8pm in the Pavilion, Pirton Recreation Ground.

JA Stimson
17 October 1993

Att. Pirton Parish Council agreement with Pirton Football Club 1977
Pirton Football Club Statement of Accounts 1992/93

C L U B P I R T O N

MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE
AT THE PAVILION, PIRTON RECREATION GROUND
ON THURSDAY, 28 OCTOBER 1993 AT 8PM

A G E N D A

1. Apologies
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on
 Thursday, 14 October 1993
3. Matters Arising
4. Feedback from Parish Council regarding Letter to defer
 any decision on the Recreation Ground
5. Committee Members
6. Finance
 - Results of Meeting with Brewery, Sponsorship, Unsecured
 loans, Costs, Maintenance, Income, Grants,
7. Insurance and Liabilities
8. Bar
 - Team of Volunteers, Security of Building/Cash.
9. Our Proposal
 - Financial, Grants, Maintenance, Committee, Hirings,
 Bar, Membership, Use of Current Facilities and Possible
 Future Facilities.
10. Any Other Business
11. Date and Time of Our Next Meeting

NOTES ON A MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 28 OCTOBER 1993 at 8pm IN
THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
Tom Gammell
Michael Goddard
Tim Harley
Graeme Low (From 8.30pm)
Ian McBain
Nick Sheridan
John Souster
Joy Stimson ✓

Apologies: David Chambers
Pato Diaz
John Hayes
Andrew Sparks

Action

The Secretary advised that she had informed all those people present at the 30 September Meeting of tonight's meeting and Anton Jungrenthmayer was unable to attend but still wished to be a member of the Committee.

Tom Gammell advised the meeting that he had received a reply from the Parish Council asking us to have some proposals put before them before the next Parish Council Meeting on 11 November.

ALL

MATTERS ARISING

Apologies for J Souster not being listed in those present at 14 October Meeting were made by the Secretary.

Discussion took place relating to various matters and it was decided that we should formulate our proposals.

PROPOSALS

1. That a Management Agreement be entered into between the Parish Council and the Committee for the time being of the Club encompassing the responsibility for the Maintenance of the Pavilion, Pitches, and other facilities at Pirton Recreation Ground. ✓
2. The Club would be self financing and will provide sufficient funds for Club to be set up and run for ~~at least the first 12 months.~~ ✓
3. The Management Committee of the Club will be made up, in the main of representatives from the various sports and social activities in the village. ~~The Management Committee will be restricted to from residents within the Parish of Pirton.~~ *elected initially*
4. ~~We intend to improve and expand the facilities and will at all times encourage new activities. Our aim is to be one of the social centres of the village which will include in particular, facilities for the Youth, in the village.~~ ✓

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5. Membership of the Club will be: *Open to all Residents*
(a) ~~Restricted to members of the Parish of Pirton~~ *Parish of Pirton*
(b) ~~Primarily members of the Parish of Pirton~~
6. Our overall objective is to provide facilities for *which*
will to be available for the widest possible use of
villagers at all times throughout the year.

It was felt that anyone attending the Parish Council Meeting on 11 November should be careful of any questions raised. It was agreed that how we raised funds, etc would be our decision and the Parish Council should not be privy to such knowledge.

ALL

FUNDING

Andrew Sparks had received a letter from the Greene King Brewery regarding the possibility of a loan which everyone had received a copy of. As Andrew was not able to attend the meeting, it was to be discussed more fully at our next meeting. However, it was felt that the Brewery would be looking for personal guarantors.

Annual Membership would raise approximately £600.

It was agreed that the Secretary should draft out our proposals and then following our next meeting (Monday, 8 November at 8pm) should circulate to all Parish Councillors as soon as possible before their meeting on Thursday, 11 November.

JAS

JOY STIMSON
31 October 1993

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8 NOVEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
David Chambers
Tom Gammell
Michael Goddard
Tim Harley
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Neil Sheridan
Andrew Sparks
John Souster
Joy Stimson✓

Apologies: Pato Diaz
John Hayes
Anton Jungrenthmayer

1. The Proposal to put before the Parish Council was formalised.
2. A draft letter to the Secretary of the Parish Council was drawn up.
3. Joy Stimson to type up and fax to various members of the Committee the following day and to agree. JAS
4. Nick Sheridan to deliver the letter to the Secretary of the Parish Council and a copy to be delivered to all the members of the Parish Council on Wednesday evening so that they had sight of it before their meeting on Thursday, 11 November. NS
JAS
5. The next meeting was fixed to take place on Monday, 15 November at 8pm in the Recreation Ground Pavilion. ALL

JAS/sj
17 November 1993

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15 NOVEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
David Chambers
Tom Gammell
Michael Goddard
Tim Harley
John Hayes
Anton Jungrenthmayer
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Neil Sheridan
Andrew Sparks
John Souster
Joy Stimson /

Action

Pato Diaz had advised the Secretary that as he was unable to attend meetings on a regular basis he would stand down from the Committee but was willing to help in any way.

1. A copy of the letter sent to the Secretary of the Parish Council was distributed. (Copy attached)
2. A letter had been received from the Secretary to the Parish Council and this was read to all present (Copy attached).
3. The Parish Council were to formulate an agreement. Whilst awaiting receipt of this, it was agreed that we should progress various items:

(a) Need to create a suitable name for the Club with a view to opening the Club - March 1994 (start of the cricket season).

(b) Formalise a Constitution and elect Officers pending the formation of the Club. As the Constitution would need careful consideration, it was decided to elect Officers at this meeting and progress the Constitution.

Those elected were as follows:

Chairman - Tom Gammell, Treasurer - Andrew Sparks,
Secretary - Joy Stimson

- (c) Agreements - with Brewery
- with Parish Council
- Constitution
- Licence to sell Liquor

John Hayes and Andrew Sparks to progress these.
Examples of Club Rules, Constitutions to be requested from Greene King. A copy of the Pirton Football Club

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Notes of Mtg PSSC 15.11.92 Cont'd

- rules were given to all present. (Copy of revisions attached) JH/AS
- (d) Clubhouse - A building group to do a survey of the premises. John Souster to co-ordinate. JS
Suggest that Parish Council maintain exterior (as Landlord) and we maintain interior.
- (e) Membership fees - Graeme Low and Peter Bidgood to discuss and present to next meeting. PB/GL
- (f) Cash Requirements/Funding - Andrew Sparks, as Treasurer to report on these. AS
- (g) Other items:
Fund raising, activities, Playing Field
Sub-Committee
5. It was agreed that Michael Goddard should advise the Parish Council that as we wanted a brand new image our Committee were not interested in purchasing the items in the Clubhouse from Pirton Football Club as a job lot. We might be interested in specific items only e.g. Pool Table, fridge, freezer, etc. MG
6. It was agreed that until further notice the Committee should meet at 8pm every Monday night in the Recreation Ground Clubhouse. Next meeting to be Monday, 22 November ALL

JAS/sj/
17 November 1993

Att. Copy Ltr to Secretary of Parish Council
Copy of reply from Secretary of Parish Council
Copy of Revised Pirton Football Club Rules

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
David Chambers
Tom Gammell
Michael Goddard
Tim Harley
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Nick Sheridan (from 9pm only)
Andrew Sparks
John Souster
Joy Stimson ✓

Apologies: John Hayes

Action

Tim Harley advised the Committee that Patrick Smith was keen to join the Committee but due to illness was unable to attend this meeting. A copy of the Notes to be sent to him.

No apologies had been received from Anton Jungrenthmayer. To clarify if he is still interested in being on the Committee. JAS

1. Approval of the Notes of the Previous Meeting held on 15 November 1993

(a) Michael Goddard pointed out that in item (1) it should refer to the 'Clerk' of the Parish Council and not 'Secretary' as stated.

(b) John Souster felt that item 3(a) - (start of the cricket season) should be deleted as we should not show any preference to any particular area.

(c) Nick Sheridan pointed out that in the list of those present, his name was stated as 'Neil'. The Secretary apologised for her error.

The Secretary to amend these points before getting the Notes signed by the Chairman and filed in the Minutes Book. JAS

2. Agenda

Although there was no formal Agenda for this meeting the Chairman would draw up an Agenda for future meetings. TG

For this meeting the Agenda would follow the Notes of the previous meeting.

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Notes of Mtg PSSC 22.11.93 Cont'd

3. Constitution

Andrew Sparks had been in touch with Greene King. He had only just received a draft set of rules as the person at Greene King had been off sick. (Copy attached). The brewery had offered the services of their Architect (not sure if FOC or at what cost). It was agreed that we should look into this facility in respect of the building plans Andrew and John Souster to co-ordinate.

AS/JS

4. Membership of the Club

Graeme Low and Peter Bidgood advised that they were unable to set a charge at the moment as they required more information. The types of membership were likely to be divided into (a) Single Adult (b) Single Youth (c) Single Junior (d) Single OAP (e) Family or Group. It was necessary to define what the Club would be offering its Members. They felt that a questionnaire should be sent to every householder in the village with provision for suggestions of what people would like us to offer. It was decided that this should be sent out with our mail shot as soon as possible. Graeme and Peter to compile a questionnaire for further discussion at next meeting.

PB/GL

Activities clubs would be required to sort out their own membership charges separately to ours and each individual member would be required to be a member of our club by a separate payment direct to us.

It was also suggested that part of the Membership Subscription should be entry into a monthly '100' Club draw. This was felt a good idea by all present.

Membership was hoped to be in the region of 100/200 Members, these being predominantly from the village. As far as the Management Committee was concerned, although it was currently made up of all residents of the village, it was felt that we should consider the future of the club in years to come. When creating the rules, it may be necessary to loosen this, with a view to coaches for the various activities, etc needing to be represented on the Management Committee. It was agreed that this should be considered at a later stage when a contract was available for discussion from the Parish Council.

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Notes on Mtg of PSSC 22.11.93 Cont'd

5. Contract with the Parish Council

Nothing had been received as yet although a document was to be delivered during our meeting from a member of the Parish Council. (However, the document was not to do with the Contract but a submission on a Youth Initiative). The Secretary to write to the Clerk of the Parish Council to chase up a Contract.

JAS

6. Building Plans

John Souster and Nick Sheridan had surveyed the building and John had provided a copy of the plan of the existing structure - (Copy attached for those not present at the meeting).

John made some recommendations on alterations to the existing layout:

(a) Entrance canopy off car park to enter building by existing Ladies toilet lobby door into main area.

(b) Take out current lobby off main area (Playing Field side of building)

(c) Erect folding doors to partition the two areas of the main area i.e. kitchen and pool end of room/bar and seating area. This would make it more versatile.

Several other improvements were discussed:

(a) Move or demolish existing storage shed (Old Pavilion)

(b) Re-furbish changing rooms and showers

(c) Re-fit kitchen (It was pointed out that for the purposes of serving cold food, it had been approved earlier in the year, so not immediately necessary)

It was decided that the immediate improvements should be made to the main area, others to follow subject to funds being available. However, they should be built into our 5/10 year Business Plan.

The wintering of the exterior of the building was discussed and as we had no rights over the building as yet, it was felt that the Parish Council should be advised that a downpipe needed some repair before any permanent damage was made. The Secretary to advise the Parish Council.

JAS
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Notes of Mtg of PSSC 22.11.93 Cont'd

7. Playing Fields

A plan of the playing fields was to be obtained so that we could also plan out the field with a view to setting aside areas for possible future activities. (Copy attached) JAS

8. Bank Account

Andrew Sparks to look into opening a bank account (Yorkshire Bank suggested as favourable to clubs, etc) AS

9. Any Other Business

The papers delivered during the meeting by a Parish Councillor were circulated and it was found to be regarding a Youth Initiative usage of the facilities (copy attached). David Chambers was asked to study the document and report back at our next meeting on his thoughts. DC

10. Date of the Next Meeting

Although several members were going to be unable to attend the next Monday meeting it was decided to still have the next meeting on Monday, 29 November at 8pm in the Pavilion (future Clubhouse). ALL

JAS/sj
23 November 1993

Att. Copy of the Draft Rules supplied by Greene King
Copy of Plan of Existing Building (only non attendees)
Copy of Playing Field Plan
Copy of the Youth Initiative proposal

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 29 NOVEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
Tom Gammell
Tim Harley
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Nick Sheridan
Patrick Smith
Andrew Sparks
John Souster
Joy Stimson

Apologies: David Chambers
Michael Goddard
John Hayes

ACTION

Patrick Smith advised those present that he hoped to be able to contribute in any way he could. He felt that his most valuable contribution would be by way of a financial plan.

Anton Jungreuthmayer was unable attend Committee meetings due to his work commitments. He advised that he was still willing to help in any specific way in the future but would stand down from the Committee.

1. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

These were approved by all present.

2. MATTERS ARISING

There being no matters arising that were not covered on the Agenda the meeting continued as per the Agenda.

3. PARISH COUNCIL CONTRACT

Joy Stimson had received a letter from the Clerk to the Parish Council advising us that the Parish Council had met in an effort to formalise an agreement. The agreement was now at a local County Association for clarification. It was hoped that it would be returned to them before the next Parish Council meeting on the 9 December when the Parish Council would formally adopt the agreement.

It was agreed that as soon as anything was received, it would be circulated to all our Committee for information prior to any meeting.

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Notes on PSSC Mtg 29.11.93 Cont'd

4. FINANCE

(a) Brewery Andrew Sparks had not been able to contact the gentleman from Greene King and although he had given him John Souster's name and telephone number, John had not been contacted either. Andrew to chase him up. AS

(b) Licence to sell Liquor Tom Gammell to speak to John Hayes with a view to making an application in anticipation of a contract being formalised with the Parish Council. TG/JH

(c) Operations The Chairman explained that he had put this on the Agenda to cover how it would all work and it was suggested that everyone think about this for the future. ALL

(d) Bank Account Andrew Sparks had obtained information from the Yorkshire Bank. It was felt that Yorkshire Bank no more helpful to clubs than other banks. They had sent the wrong application forms for Clubs so Andrew was to contact them again for the appropriate forms. No one was able to offer a friendly bank. TSB was another suggested organisation for clubs. AS

5. MEMBERSHIP

(a) Club Constitution Everyone agreed that the example supplied by the brewery was fairly standard. Tom Gammell to speak to John Hayes to progress. TG/JH

(b) Activities A letter from Ashcroft Football Club had been received by the Secretary and this was read to all present (copy attached). The Secretary to reply to them advising them that we are not yet in a position to consider their proposal. To bring the matter forward in January 1994. JAS
B/F 1/94

(c) Youth Section Proposal David Chambers unable to attend this meeting had sent a note referring to this proposal (copy attached for those not attending the meeting). It was felt that perhaps a presentation to us should be made by the Youth Initiative when they had some firm proposals. The Secretary to reply that until we were in receipt of a formal agreement from the Parish Council we were unable to progress their proposals. JAS

(d) Communication with the Village Graeme Low showed those present an example of the questionnaire to be sent to all households in the village. (Copy attached for those not present at meeting).

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Notes on PSSC Mtg 29.11.93 Cont'd

It was suggested that bowls and fitness training be added to the list of activities and Youth Club should be changed to youth activities. The wording at the top should also be change to read 'participating in' rather than 'actively involved'.

GL

Patrick Smith raised the point that the covering letter should refer to the fact that the Committee had been formed from the Open Meeting held on 23 September.

GL

It was agreed that these should be distributed as soon as possible. Graeme Low would produce 450 and those able to help distribute them this week to meet at the Motte & Bailey on Tuesday, 30 November at 7.30pm to collect and distribute. The questionnaire to be collected this weekend - 4/5 December.

ALL

6. CLUBHOUSE AND PLAYING FIELDS

(a) Renovation John Souster had drawn up the plan to scale so that an architect could work with the plan to produce any changes. Andrew Sparks and John Souster to co-ordinate with the brewery architect as soon as possible. AS/JS

(b) Maintenance The leaking downpipe had been reported to the Parish Council.

(c) Utilisation This should be considered as how best to utilise the facilites. Await report from questionnaire to progress.

(d) Funding Patrick Smith to look into where we could attract funds from. He felt that we needed to concentrate on our requirements and then source funding with a business plan.

PS

7. PROGRESS

Nick Sheridan felt we needed to concentrate on areas that required 100% effort at present:

(a) Changing Rooms may be required for both sexes (see results of questionnaires.

(b) Chase up the Brewery architect - May need to get planning permission or building regulations. Need to start actioning so ready when we get go ahead to proceed with our plans.

(c) Membership questionnaire - Need to analyse results as soon as possible to know what we need to be looking at.

Nick Sheridan to approach other village organisations who are running Sports & Social Clubs for guidelines - Codicote, Kimpton, Offley, Whitwell.

NS

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Notes on PSSC Mtg 29.11.93 Cont'd

Ian McBain to look into grants and obtain necessary application forms, etc.

IM

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Peter Bidgood suggested that after Christmas a fortnightly Newsletter is circulated around the village informing them of our progress.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Monday, 6 December at 8pm in Nick Sheridan's Dining Room, 3 Priors Hill.

ALL

JAS/sj
30 November 1993

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6 DECEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Peter Bidgood
David Chambers
Tom Gammell (from 9pm)
Michael Goddard
Tim Harley (from 9pm)
Graeme Low
Ian McBain
Nick Sheridan
Patrick Smith
Andrew Sparks
John Souster
Joy Stimson

Apologies: John Hayes

ACTION

As the Chairman had sent apologies and would be arriving later there was some general discussion regarding both the questionnaires and the plans for the building. Comments to be found in the appropriate sections below.

It was decided to run the meeting on the Agenda from the previous meeting.

1. PARISH COUNCIL CONTRACT

Nothing had been received from the Parish Council as yet. They were due to have their next meeting on Thursday, 9 December and there should be some communication following this meeting regarding the Contract.

2. FINANCE

(a) Brewery Dave Buey from Greene King was to attend our next meeting to progress this matter.

(b) Licence TG and JH to look into this urgently.

TG/JH

(c) Operations Nothing to report at the current time

3. MEMBERSHIP

(a) Club Constitution JH to progress

JH

(b) Activities This would be assessed when the questionnaires were analysed.

(c) Youth Section DC advised that he had been in touch various youth organisations within the village and the general feeling was that although they currently had

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organised meetings, there was a need for a meeting place with no formal structure for the youth to play pool, darts, etc and generally just meet with refreshment facilities. It was felt that we could provide this facility within the Club (i.e. a Coffee Shop).

A letter had been received from Helen Springer (as a result of our questionnaire) offering to give talks to the Youth Section. The Secretary to write acknowledging receipt of letter. It was felt that this may not be applicable to our involvement but we would pass it on to the appropriate person when the time was right.

JAS

DC also to visit Offley and Ickleford Youth Clubs to see how they worked.

DC

(d) Communication with the Village The response to our questionnaires had been good. A total of 79 had been received with a further 56 to be collected. There was a lot of interest in tennis and fitness facilities. Several offers of assistance had been made and these would be taken up as and when we were in a position to form the various sections. It was felt that we should keep the village informed of our activities by the form of a Newsletter. The results of the questionnaire could be included. GL/PB to collate the information and analyse it for presentation at our next meeting.

GL/PB

4. CLUBHOUSE AND PLAYING FIELDS

(a) Renovation JS had met with the architect from Greene King and the Representative of Greene King - David Buey. The architect had agreed to come up with some ideas. These would be available for our meeting on Monday 13 December. The architect is unable to attend but David Buey will attend. It was agreed that the Secretary should write to him confirming our decision and inviting him to attend the meeting at 8pm for approximately 1 hour only.

JAS

TH disagreed with meeting Greene King until after the questionnaires had been analysed, as they held the information as to what would be required. However, it was agreed that the meeting would be a fact finding mission only and that no commitment was being made with Greene King. A letter had been received by AS from David Buey (copy attached) advising him that if we did not proceed with Greene King there would be a charge of £25 per hour for the architects's services. No mention of a charge had been made prior to receipt of this letter and AS would contact him to clarify. However, it was agreed that this charge was low, if an architect's services were engaged from elsewhere.

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TG to open the meeting with a brief presentation of where we stand and then he should get David Buey to do his presentation to us. After which time he would be thanked and no discussion to take place. David Buey would leave the meeting, at which time our discussions can take place.

(b) Maintenance The Parish Council had been advised of the leaking downpipe. The fact that the pitches had not been treated with weedkiller was noted. It was decided to bring this to the attention of the Parish Council at an appropriate time. MG to mention this at the next Parish Council meeting on Thursday.

MG

(c) Utilisation PB had contacted various organisations regarding grants and layout of pitches, etc. PB advised that there was a person available from Herts authorities to assist on planning layouts, etc. PB awaiting correspondence from him. Payment for the service would be on ex gratia basis. PB to report at meeting on 18 December as he was unable to attend the next meeting.

PB

(d) Funding PB passed over the information he had obtained on grants to IM and IM reported that he was awaiting correspondence from various organisations regarding grants. IM to report next meeting. PB had obtained information on a funding for rural communities and the Secretary was to write to her to obtain further information.

IM

JAS

5. PROGRESS

NS advised that he had contacted Kimpton and Codicote on a fact finding mission. Kimpton were extremely helpful and he was hoping to have an informal meeting with them and 2/3 of our Committee. Codicote were helpful but as the person who had set up the Club was no longer involved, it was decided to proceed with Kimpton only at this stage.

NS

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

GL advised that he had been running a football training session at the school and was wanting to now do this at the Recreation Ground. He required help to set up the goal posts and would need to get the Parish Council's agreement. MG to check on the insurance aspect.

GL/MG

7. NEXT MEETING

This would take place at the Pavilion, Pirton Recreation Ground at 8pm on Monday, 13 December.

ALL

JAS/sj

7 December 1993

Att. Copy Letter from Greene King - Brewery
Copy Letter from Helen Springer - Youth

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13 DECEMBER 1993 AT 8PM
IN THE RECREATION GROUND PAVILION, PIRTON

Present: Tom Gammell, Michael Goddard, Tim Harley, John Hayes,
Graeme Low, Nick Sheridan, Patrick Smith, Andrew Sparks
John Souster, Joy Stimson

Apologies: Peter Bidgood, David Chambers, Ian McBain

Guest: David Buey (Greene King)

ACTION

David Buey from Greene King was welcomed to the meeting by the Chairman and he presented his proposals.

A plan of the building was discussed and a few comments were made. J Souster to follow up with the architect.

JS

The loan of £10,000 was available on an interest free basis repayable by cash over 10 years. However, this could be re-negotiated during the first 3 years to a write off loan by barrelage. Unable to do this type of loan at present as had no past information to work on. This loan would be the responsibility of the Committee - who would be personally liable for the monies.

A glass washer was not required by law but was looked upon favourably by the Environmental Health Officer. A second-hand one could be purchased at a modest cost and it should be considered in planning as a future purchase.

Soft drinks could be on draught and Greene King would supply all bar fittings free of charge. Expected barrelage would be about 100 barrels per annum.

As a Free Trade outlet, we would be entitled to have guest beers. The expected margin on the beer was e.g. IPA Cost price £0.70; Retail Price £1.35. Obviously there would be a degree of wastage. Payment to Greene King would be by Direct Debiting Mandate.

A free barrel for the commencement of the operation was agreed. David Buey to supply a current price list to AS.

Details of suppliers of bar style furniture and fittings to be sought from the Architect.

David Buey was thanked for his informative presentation and he then left the meeting.

2. MATTERS ARISING

NS stated he had not been able to arrange a meeting with another village organisation but was still trying.

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Notes from Mtg of 13.12.93 Continued

3. PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

PB had attended the last Parish Council meeting.

(a) Goalposts - The Parish Council had agreed to allow GL to erect these but if they fell the Parish Council would not accept liability. GL

(b) Weedkiller - The Chairman of the Parish Council had agreed to spray the grass in March.

(c) Contract - The HALC had sent the agreement to London for their consideration.

TG to write to the Parish Council to chase up the contract. TG

4. FINANCE

(a) There was still the need to open a Bank Account AS

(b) Licence to sell Liquor - JH will start to draft the papers JH
He may need fresh plans. Timescale probably 21 days.

The Fire Department and Police will be informed. The local pubs are likely to object.

(c) Operations - Nothing to report at the present time.

5. MEMBERSHIP

(a) Club Constitution - JH to look into this JH

(b) Activities - Copies of the analysis of the questionnaire were circulated (copy attached for non-attendees). Thanks were conveyed to GL for his hardwork and the information gained from the questionnaire should be relayed to the village perhaps in the form of a newsletter when we finally received an agreement with the Parish Council.

(c) Youth - We will consider providing a facility for youth but do not think the Youth Club should be run from within the Clubhouse.

(d) Communications - It was felt that our existence could be of benefit to the Village Hall rather than detrimental as many club would hold additional fund raising functions and would require the village hall for these.

(e) Usage - Fitness Club facilities were suggested and discussed. It was felt that we should consider about 10 activities 5 indoor and 5 outdoor.

GL to look into fitness and see if some able to take on GL
responsibility. Need to provide bar/fitness room/committee room/
showers/toilets x 2.

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6. CLUBHOUSE AND PLAYING FIELDS

- (a) Renovation - Chasing up
- (b) Maintenance - Playing Field to be treated with weedkiller by the Parish Council in March '94
- (c) Utilisation
- (d) Funding

Need voluntary labour for the bar for at least the first 12 months.

7. PROGRESS

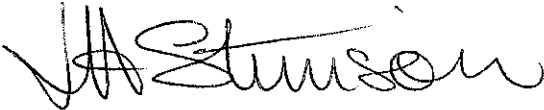
It was agreed that we should go for Plan B. JS to provide schedule of works for this exercise and also provide list of plan amendments for Greene King architect. JS

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the meeting closed at 11pm.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be held on Monday, 10 January at Peter Bidgood's ALL
John Souster advised that he would be unable to attend any
meetings until 17 January.



JOY STIMSON

Att. Non-attendees only - Copy of Analysis of Questionnaire