

# The Yarmouth Isle of Wight Town Council

## MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE OF YARMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT CHOYD ON THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2019.

Present: Cllr Rod Corbett and Peter Cronin, Martyn Collinson, Peter Scott

In attendance: Brian Jacobs

### **1. Apologies**

No apologies were received

### **2. Replacement of Pavilion**

The Clerk was instructed to ask Brighstone Landscaping to clear the ground on the north of the pavilion back to the fence and remove the pampas grass.

### **3. Recreation Ground drainage**

Peter Scott declared a personal interest in this item.

A letter was discussed from a resident of Heytsesbury Close who has claimed that storm water from the football pitch is flooding her property. Peter Scott reported that flooding of this property was a known problem, and flooding had occurred in this area until the construction of the ditch along the south of the football pitch at the rear of the Heytesbury Close properties several years ago. The ditch had been dug as deep as possible to allow water drain off from the Rec and to prevent the sides of the ditch collapsing from pressure of the properties behind it and had proved successful. The Clerk reported that the ditch was regularly maintained and had been fully cleared in 2018.

As the ditch contains little standing water and is considerably lower than the properties in Heytesbury Close, it was agreed that water run-off from the football pitch could not be contributing to the flooding of the property in question. The Clerk was accordingly instructed to prepare a

suitable response to the complainant and to circulate it among members of the Committee for verification prior to sending it.

**4. Any Other Business**

It was reported that the chain on the access gate from Tennyson Close had been broken, and Peter Scott undertook to replace the broken link with a shackle.