Leigh-On-Mendip Recreation Field Management Committee Minutes of meeting held on 10 November 2025

Present: Vicky Higgins, Vicki Trundle, Denis Pattison, Martin Carter, Alan Dagger, Ty Schlechter, David Pattison

Apologies: Nil!

1. The Oct minutes were agreed and signed.

JOBS

2. Sign to Coronation Park on the garage. No progress.

ACTION TS

- 3. Moles
 - a. MC had contacted the insurance company, who confirmed that posting signs does not remove our liability. Taking reasonable action to remove the risk is what we need to do.
 - b. The need to close the park was discussed, and VH offered to contact the mole catcher to see if it could be done with the park open.
 ACTION VF
 - c. DP had written a paper on the subject, which was discussed. The gist was agreed. VT offered to shorten and revise the paper to improve readability. It would be agreed out of committee before the next meeting and posted on the website without appearing on FB.

 ACTION VT
- 4. The turf on top of the tunnel is very worn. The tile has been reinstalled and the grass is growing through well. DP had looked up astroturf, and it is usually fitted on a solid surface, so is not appropriate.
- 5. VH has the seeds for the new wildflower area.
- 6. Fix down the smaller bench in the shelter. The stakes are in the store.
- 7. Posts with barbed wire at back of houses in CP need to be removed.
- 8. VH/FH have sorted out the willow den and restaked a rowan.
- The fence round the small car park is looking weak. It was agreed to get quotes for a more substantial fence, eg like CP but without the wire. Needs to be above rear windscreen height.

 ACTION VH

FINANCE

- 10. Electricity reading is 2725, usage 18.
- 11. Allotments water reading was not checked.
- 12. Main water reading is 00417.254, usage 0.278.
- 13. Football have paid.
- 14. Water flooding the main water meter. DP had contacted the water board, who had investigated and says there is no leak, it is just ground water. It was dry this month for the first time in many months, despite the rain.

FOOTBALL

15. Coleford - all OK.

16. School. The school will play on Mondays after school for £5 per session, using the clubhouse and their own equipment. DNP to investigate payment. **ACTION DNP**

BONUS BALL

- 17. The new list had been circulated, with all tickets sold.
- 18. The 1 Nov Bonus Ball was 29. Winners are Mark Humphrey & Karen Stoneley. DNP & VH to pay them. VH was reimbursed.

FUND RAISING

Car show

- 19. Next year's date set at 5 July. Meeting planned 7 Jan. Dogs, owls and line dancing are booked
- 20. New sound system from the quarry fund has arrived. MC will test it out and then see where it will fit in the rec building for storage. **ACTION MC**

Wreath Making

21. The hall has been booked for Sun 14 Dec. 25 tickets have been sold. VH has purchased the rings etc.

ALLOTMENTS

22. Nil

H&S.

- 23. Add chippings to the back track, which gets very slippery when wet. Hans is still up for it. May need to use a lorry rather than multiple visits with the trailer. The path is still safe.

 ACTION VH
- 24. The wasp infestation is over. They don't come back to the same nest.
- 25. Annual Safety Inspection. 3 items were categorised as medium risk. Two have been dealt with. The third was uneven surfaces caused by moles and a more permanent fix is awaiting resolution of the mole debate. See above.

REGULAR ITEMS

- 26. Inspection completed daily/weekly in Oct by VH, including levelling molehills, cutting back the hedge at the back of Poppies and topping the hedge on the W boundary of CP.
- 27. Emergency lighting, smoke/CO alarms, elec meter, water meters, accident book all checked by DP today. No issues.
- 28. Parish Mag BC winners, wreath making, AGM date

ACTION DP

Jobs from annual list (deleted if done or not needed).

OUTSTANDING

a. H&SO review H&S policy and Action List in odd years, and report to LRFMC

ACTION DP

NOVEMBER

b. Apply for Parish Council grant. VT had applied.

JANUARY

- c. Water stop tap turned off except during opening hours and football matches.
- d. Do end of year accounts and sent to auditor.

- e. Arrange hedge cutting of roadside and laneside hedges. Sweep up pavement side of cuttings.
- f. Set date for AGM. 13 April was agreed.

ACTION DP

g. Pay MDC £20 for Gambling Act registration.

ACTION DP

AOB

29. WI Gingko Biloba tree. Discussion is ongoing.

30. PC letters to the houses backing on to the car park. Done

Date of next meeting 8 Dec at the pub (or meeting room) at 7.30pm.

MC apologised