## **ENFORD RECREATION GROUND AND VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

# MINUTES OF COMBINED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING / COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.00 P.M.

Present: Judy D'Arcy Irvine, Hamish Scott-Dalgleish, Hannah Tucker, David Spencer, Emma Stringer, Fiona Leakey

Apologies: Jane Young, Jacqui Elkins, Becky & Matt Broughan

#### **COMBINED AGM / COMMITTEE MEETING**

# 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 24 SEPTEMBER 2024.

Proposed by David Spencer, seconded by Hannah Tucker and approved.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES COMMITTEE MEETING 29 JULY 2025. Proposed by David Spencer, seconded by Emma Stringer and approved.

#### 3. TREASURER'S REPORT AND ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Total income for financial year 2024/2025 was £15,275.52 and total expenditure £16,085.55. This had led to a small deficit of £810.03 which was better than initially expected. The deficit was mainly due to the increased amount of maintenance and repair work required over the past year. This work, together with the measures taken to improve energy conservation following an energy audit in March 2024, had contributed to the higher expenditure. However, the additional costs had been partly offset by grants of £5,000 received from Westmill Solar Co-Operative and £1,750 from the Area Board. The accounts were agreed by the Committee and recommended for approval to the AGM.

Thanks were expressed to Kim Riche for auditing the annual accounts, and Judy also thanked Hannah for her work as Treasurer over the past year.

## 4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Electrical: The lighting motion sensors in the two changing rooms had been changed to On/Off switches. Cost £330.
- Ground Source Heat Pump: Had been fully serviced and repaired in August with a new circulation pump. Invoice was awaited.
- Polyflor: Repairs had been carried out to stick flooring back to the walls with replacement black capping strips. Cost £500. Unfortunately the plaster along one wall in the kitchen behind the Polyflor was damaged and this will have to be repaired by a plasterer at an additional cost of around £300-£400 before the Polyflor work can be completed. Replacement matting had been installed in the entrance hall. Cost £150.
- The ceilings and walls in the Ladies and Men's loos had been redecorated. Cost £550.
- All outside woodwork (doors, windows, soffit boards) had been re-Sadolined with three coats.
   Cost £3,600.
- Trees along the back of the Hall had been cut right back as they were overhanging the roof and cutting out light. Cost £420.
- Rotten wooden bollards around the car park had been replaced. Cost £270.
- Great Bustard Project volunteers had helped by repairing the path leading to the side door and laying new shingle. Cost of materials £66.
- Five coats of Sadolin had been applied to the handrail after sanding, leaving the metal uprights and frame still to be painted. Cost £45 so far.
- Crockery and cutlery: Following an inventory check all missing items had been replaced to bring number back up to 110 and matching new mugs had been purchased. Cost £208
- All eleven drains around the car park had been cleared by Dyno Rod Cost £750

- Shutter: The back door shutter was still broken and needed replacement slats which will be expensive. Quotation around £1,500 tbc
- Community Fund had now agreed to pay for damage £258 incurred at the Summer Fete.
- Electricity Supplier Octopus: The faulty meter was still in situ and Octopus had refused to allow a replacement meter to be programmed with the current three time registers which are Day, Night and Evenings/Weekends. A complaint can be submitted to the Ombudsman as the three times are important with bookings mainly at weekends and in the evening.
- Film Club: Well supported and new screen a great improvement. Films are now being streamed and Clive is persevering with his application to the Community Fund for a grant towards a replacement projector and sound system.
- Cleaners: A new cleaner had recently started following the resignation of the previous couple.

#### 5. MAINTENANCE AND GROUNDS OFFICERS' REPORTS:

- Rabbits: Hamish had followed this up with David Bendle, the pest control expert, who had successfully eradicated some of the rabbit population, around 60 to date.
- Mr Bendle carries out the work free of charge but asks for donations to be made to a charity.
   It was suggested £100 should be sent to The Army Benevolent Fund with a further similar payment to follow.
- Mowing: Hamish reported he was unable to do the mowing for the time being but his gardener
  would continue to do this on his behalf. It was agreed expenses should be fully covered
  including any salary costs. Hamish would organize a jumbo bag of top soil which can be
  used to fill rabbit holes when required on a self-help basis.
- Maintenance and repairs to the building were up to date.

Judy thanked both Hamish and David for their support and hard work over the past year.

## 6. PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Judy thanked Fiona Leakey for joining the Committee to represent the PCC. Following her report Fiona confirmed that the Church Christmas Fair would be held on Saturday 22 November from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. This is a happy and successful annual event which raises much need revenue for the Church.

#### 7. GARDENING CLUB

Emma Stringer reported that there was around £2,000 in the bank. As a result of falling attendance over the past year a decision had been taken to shorten the speaker season. Following the October meeting the next one would not be until March 2026 which would be followed by meetings in April and May together with a garden visit in June. Autumn meetings would be in September and October subject to continued reasonable attendance.

Judy thanked Emma and asked her to let the Committee know if there was anything they could do help to ensure that the Club would continue.

#### 8. COMMUNITY & USER GROUPS REPRESENTATIVES

The following representatives were confirmed:

Parish Council:
Parochial Church Council:
Enford Newsletter:
Gardening Club:
Jane Young
Fiona Leakey
Jacqui Elkins
Emma Stringer

Enford Junior Football Club: Emma & Matt Broughan

Short Mat Bowls Club: David Spencer

Film Club: Theresa Horsey & Judy D'Arcy-Irvine

## 9. FUTURE EVENTS

## Fireworks and Bonfire Night – Saturday 25 October

Concern was again expressed regarding damage to the field caused by the bonfire. The Community Fund will be asked to confirm that repairs and re turfing will be undertaken following the event but they seem reluctant to commit. Hamish had previously suggested turf could be lifted around the area prior to the event to help minimize the damage. Last year it was six months before the work was carried out by the CF which had left the area unsightly and generally unusable.

## Remembrance Day Lunch Sunday 9 November

The lunch was going ahead on 9 November and, as usual, it will be in aid of the Army Benevolent Fund. There had been a good response for attendance.

#### 10. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Judy D'Arcy-Irvine, David Spencer, Jacqui Elkins and Hannah Tucker were re-elected as Committee Members

#### PROPOSED DATES FOR 2025/2026 COMMITTEE MEETINGS

2025 Tuesday 11 November

2026 Tuesday 17 February, Tuesday 19 May, Tuesday 21 July, AGM Tuesday 29 September, Tuesday 17 November