New Alresford Town Council
Meeting of Recreation Committee Meeting
Held at the Alresford Recreation Centre
7.30pm Wednesday, 11th November, 2015

Present — **Cllrs K.Barrett** (Chair) **M.Power, L.Griffiths, E.Jeffs, B.Jeffs**
Sports Club representatives: Rob Walls (Rugby), **T.Ingram** (Football)**, Paul Peters** (Junior Football),

Apologies — **Cllr B.Gower, Howard Lewis (Tennis), Andy Joyce (Cricket).**

541 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Resolution:** To approve the Minutes of 7th October
Proposed: Cllr.M.Power **Seconded**: Cllr.K.Barrett **(Agreed)**

542 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- None**

543 **FINANCE REPORT** – The budget is £32,000 and this committee is currently under budget due to the financial responsibility of The Avenue grass cutting being passed onto the Environment committee.

544 **MATTERS ARISING –** It was reported that the HCC traffic wardens will not issue parking tickets at weekends at Arlebury Park. The groundsman report has been re-designed to include all pieces of play equipment. Due to inappropriate youth behaviour the deputy head of Perins School and PCSO Rhys Griffiths will be doing random patrols at Arlebury Park. The Pigs have been approached regarding a donation towards play equipment and they will consider this providing Natc is seen to be approaching other societies, businesses and organising fund raising events. The town clerk will investigate what money is available from WCC for play equipment. The area behind the garage at the end of the football pitch has been cleared of old fencing and miscellaneous pieces of wood. *sk*

The Alresford FC& RFC would like to display information of matches and parking. The Town Trust has agreed for a sandwich board to be placed on the Avenue. Natc will send out an image of a display board to the Town trust and the Alresford Society. The soakaway at the smoking balcony end of Arlebury Park

545 Recreation centre is insufficient. **Resolution:** To ask the building surveyor to re-evaluate the soakaway.
Proposed: Cllr.M.Power **Seconded:** Cllr.K.Barrett (**Agreed)**

SPORTS CLUB REPORTS- The use of the ARC building by the Rugby minis on Sunday mornings was discussed. The club would like to offer parents tea and coffee and use of the toilet facilities. The rugby representative decided this would best be debated at their next committee meeting and then to re-approach Natc. Trevor Ingram reported that the big match between Salisbury & Alresford has been put back until the end of the winter. When he has a confirmed date the official opening of the new football stand will be arranged. A **Resolution:** to leave the defibrillator gate at the side of the building open at all times except when there is a football match was agreed. Trevor Ingram will oversee the locking and unlocking of this gate. This is so that the defibrillator is easily accessible at all times in case of an emergency.
Proposed: Cllr.K.Barrett **Seconded:** Cllr.M.Power **(Agreed)**

546 Trevor Ingram also reported that he sells hot pies, tea & coffee and chocolate bars from his hut adjacent the pitch on match days. The official hygiene certificates are on display.

547 **PLAY EQUIPMENT FUNDING-** As mentioned in matters arising the committee will be seeking donations for new play equipment for all age groups in the recreation grounds.

547.1 **RECREATION GROUNDS & PARKS- Resolution:** The Committee request another cut to all three Recreation Grounds before winter. **Proposed:** Cllr.B.Jeffs **Seconded:** Cllr.M.Power **(Agreed)**
This committee would like to ban the releasing of sky lanterns and massed balloon launches from Natc land and premises. The Council strongly discourages such activities on private land and recommends that event organisers consider potential safety concerns, damage and litter nuisance before buying or launching sky lanterns or balloons. **Resolution:** A memorandum of terms and conditions needs to be constructed regarding the Alresford Recreation Grounds. *Clerk*
Proposed: Cllr.M.Power **Seconded:** Cllr E.Jeffs. **(Agreed)**

548 **WEBSITE-** Some of the sports clubs are going to add summaries of useful information. *sk*

Next Meeting: 16th March 2016. **Meeting closed:** 20.29

Chairman's signature…….. Date…….