

DRAFT Minutes
Newent Recreation Ground Trust
Trustees Meeting
Wednesday 19th April 2023

In attendance: Trustees: Roger Beard , Sandra Marcovecchio, Mary Duffield, Gill Moseley, christine Howley (Chair), Clare Stone (Secretary) Neil Sapsed (observer)

1. Apologies received from Karen Draper.
2. Minutes of the last meeting were approved as a true record.
3. The secretary was authorised to write to the rugby club reminding them of the need to remove barriers at the end of the season.
4. Charities Commission Model Constitution. After some discussion on this item the secretary was changed with consulting with the locum town clerk on the best way forward. It was also noted that there appear to be no current signatories on the Trust's bank account, which situation is likely to cause problems as the community build progresses. The secretary was also asked to consult with the clerk on this matter.
5. Community Build Progress Report. Roger Beard reported that contracts for the build were now ready for signature and with the necessary tree work now completed construction of the building itself will commence in the next 2-3 weeks. An issue had been identified in relation to the need for a new dropped kerb and relocation of a lamp post. The worst case scenario cost for this additional work would be £9.5k. Funds have been identified to cover this potential additional cost. However it was mooted that an alternative and possibly preferable funding route could be via county councillors Gill Moseley's Highways Local Grant. Chris Howley will provide a breakdown of costs for Gill to discuss with highways.
6. Any other business. The secretary reported the Davies and Partners have quoted £2,000 for amending the Rugby Club Licence agreement. It was agreed that this charge seemed excessive and Roger Beard and Clare Stone agreed to find a more cost effective alternative.
7. Date of Next Meeting. Tuesday 2nd May, 12 noon, the council offices.