



October Meeting Monday 7th October 2019

Present:

Les Hughes, Glenda Stephens, Barry Norrington, Jenny Hurley, Alec Hurley, Cllr Joy Redsell, Terry Hills, Andy Gaut, Mark Adams, Geoff Appleton

Apologies for absence:

T Rawson, C Cansdale, P Chesworth, P Pohl, J France, G Heapy

Matters arising from previous minutes:

None

Chairman's report:

Nothing to report

Secretary's report:

JH complained to Active Essex that their courses were too far from Thurrock so they have arranged 2 for the coming weeks.

Safeguarding and Protecting Children

Date and Time: October 23, 2019 6:30-9:30pm

End Date and Time: October 23, 2019 9:30 pm

Cost:£35

Venue Details: The Beehive, Voluntary And Community Resource Centre, West Street, Grays, Essex, RM17 6XP

Booking link: <https://www.activeessex.org/training-course/safeguarding-protecting-children-workshop-thurrock/>

Basic First Aid

Date and Time: November 27, 2019 6:30-9:30pm

Cost: £25

Venue Details: The Beehive, Voluntary And Community Resource Centre, West Street, Grays, Essex, RM17 6XP

Booking link: <https://www.activeessex.org/training-course/course-basic-first-aid-thurrock/>

JH attends Active Thurrock meetings and reported on their activities. It was felt that they need to get more children active rather than concentrating on adults as active children will be active adults.

There was discussion about how to encourage more children into clubs. There is a need for more coaches to go into schools as the cricketers do and to train more high-level coaches. We need to find ways to increase the numbers of coaches.

There is a need to promote successful youngsters in the borough. The Thurrock Gazette does not include a wide variety of sport and there is nowhere else to publicise success. Thought needs to be given to how we do this – maybe through social media.

An email has been received from Steven MacPherson thanking us for his grant aided. He is an under 20 fencer who achieved bronze in Russia in the team European Championships and silver in the Commonwealths. He has been selected to fight for GB in Latvia.

Some sports have long waiting lists like the gymnastics group at Ockendon. MA says he tries not to have long waiting lists for his karate classes and will endeavour to put on extra classes.

It was reported that local schools are developing sports halls but the floors are too springing for cricket.

Funding information given:

EASST Essex and Southend Sports Trust <http://www.easst.org.uk/>

Kier who are building the A13 help local communities

Port of Tilbury

Treasurer's report:

The available balance at 1st October is £3720.87

Between meetings grants have been made to:

SEDCB for women's and girls' cricket.

Charlotte Waters U13 girl ECC cricketer

Orsett and Thurrock CC coaching

K Riley-Laborde athlete who finished 8th in the World University Championships despite injury (which also prevented him having his first GB senior vest at the European Team Championships).

At the meeting grants were agreed for Primary Football, Swimming Club, Olivia Busby, Belhus Cricket Club, Mark Adams.

GS to obtain more information about who funds primary football.

Our recent petition was not accepted by the council as some people who signed were not on the electoral register so were crossed off, meaning we did not have sufficient numbers. It can't be presented again.

There was a long discussion about the future of the Sports Council. Should it continue with so little grant? Should external funding be sought? Should it cease to exist? What are the council's priorities for sport? How to promote sports people?

It was agreed that a meeting should be arranged with the portfolio holder Cllr Aaron Watkins and Jahur Ali, Recreation and Leisure Manager.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm

Next Meeting: January date to be notified