

**Minutes of the meeting of Coxwold Playing Field Association
Monday 11th September 2023, 7.30pm, Village Hall**

Present: Anne Le Gassicke (chair), Paul Turner (treasurer), Mark Milligan, Simon Rheinberg, Chris Robison, Jill Sample and Louise Channer (secretary).

REF	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
1	Apologies Sandra Kirkham (vice chair), Christina McGhie, Kenny Wheeler and Simon Le Gassicke (CPC Rep)	
2	Minutes of the meeting of 3 rd July 2023 were passed as a true record.	
3a	Children’s Play Area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mark reported that he, SLG and Neil attended the August workday; no parents were available, probably due to the timing during the summer holidays. They prepared an area by the beck ready for the installation of a platform to enable children to sit by the beck. The old bench ends proved unsuitable for creating the platform edges, so reconstituted plastic planking edges filled with rubble are the likely option. • A platform with railings was built in the trees. There is no ladder yet. A “use at own risk” sign to be installed. 	SLG
3b	Manhole cover This has been purchased. To be fitted on Monday by John B’s roofer.	ALG
3c	Film Nights Attendance variable. The next few films are lighthearted. Approximately £2.5k takings so far from SumUp and cash, including bar sales. The club has been running for 12 months. Agreed that first year accounts should be kept up to 31 st March 2024	JS / MM
3d	Decorating the committee room To be done in due course. Committee to clear accumulated and abandoned items at the end of the meeting.	PT
3e	Contact caravan clubs to promote the field Jill to follow up on the advertising.	JS
3f	Summer event for families Barbecue for families on 6 th August after the play area workday – no attendees.	
3g	Outside Toilets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PT invoiced the NYMNPA for the usual £3,500 pa, has heard nothing and will await the end of September deadline when the new payment regime begins. Agreed that if the Park is unwilling to continue the current payment - which has remained unchanged for 10 years - we should challenge this. If the Park insists it will only pay half the running costs, up to a maximum of £2,500 pa, we will take that this year and give notice. • They cost c. £3,300 - 3,500 pa to run, so the CPFA would be subsidising half that cost. They are also tired and need a revamp. Public toilets are a rare amenity in the national park which we are willing to manage, but not at a cost to the CPFA as the village does not gain any particular benefit. They create work (supplies, organising cleaner, maintenance) and problems (burst pipe, bin set on fire). We have indoor toilets for hall events. We will consider closing the ladies and gents and just keep the disabled toilet if funding is inadequate. The space taken by the ladies and gents could usefully be incorporated into the hall for storage. 	PT
3h	Damp - SLG has partially covered the damp patch on the ceiling. He needs help from Mark or Paul to fix the gutters.	SLG
3i	Trip hazard - slight lip on floor on entry into kitchen. Mark will look into.	MM
3j	Printer - A black & white laser printer and paper have been ordered for the Loft Room c. £160. Will arrive next week.	PT
4	Future Events / activities	

	<p>Apple Fest – Saturday 14th October. Apple pressing and picking 2pm at the back of the hall, dinner 7.30pm. Some villagers will be asked to judge the apple dessert competition. Donations of prizes needed for the raffle. Sat 13th Paul and SDR to help John with prep 11-4pm. SDR and Mark to man door, Paul and Mark to run bar. Jill and Mike available on Saturday. Helen R will waitress and tables can help.</p> <p>Christmas Brunch – Sunday 3rd December.</p> <p>Burns Night – Thursday 25th January 2024. Keep it simple as last year – haggis, neeps & tatties to keep the cost down.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>SDR</p>
5	<p>Treasurer’s Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current a/c bal £11,638. Deposit £9933.60. Total £21,571. • Quite a lot of bookings coming in. Two bookings this weekend. (Jill to open up Saturday, Chris on Sunday.) 	<p>PT</p> <p>Jill / Chris</p>
6	<p>Any other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defibrillator training – The first responder suggested a Village WhatsApp group for emergencies – possible name “Coxwold Assistance” or “Coxwold Emergencies”. Give guidelines on use of the group ie emergencies only. A separate group eg “Coxwold News Group” could be set up for more general news on WhatsApp, Instagram and Facebook. • Dogs on the field – we’re allowing dogs on the field, but the ‘No dogs’ sign is still up. Agreed to leave up until the fence round the playground has been installed. • Field – Consider having sheep to graze the field. Consult with John and the Priory. 	<p>Jill</p> <p>SDR</p>
	<p>Dates for future meetings:</p> <p>6th November 2023 at 7.30pm.</p>	<p>ALG</p>
	<p>The meeting closed at 20.30.</p>	