

HORMEAD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF HORMEAD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE MEADS PAVILION ON FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER 2009 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM

Present: John Haselden (Chair) Jackie King
 Charlotte Benson John D Kilby
 Robert E Denham

Officer present: Marty Kilby (Clerk and RFO)

Also present: 1 parishioner

1051 **Apologies**

Apologies for absence received from David Ginn and Peter Pryor

1052 **To agree a flat rate fee for the licence relating to Hormead Hares Football Club**

Reference was made to a private meeting of councillors that had taken place and the Chairman made it clear that this was a private councillors' meeting which had been called so that councillors could discuss individual views relating to all issues regarding the Meads which were clouding discussions about the Meads. The Chairman reminded Council that this had been a private meeting and as such could not make a resolution on behalf of the Council.

It was put to Council that the rental charge for the Football Club licence had taken into consideration a figure for grass cutting that was not correct. The Chairman put before the meeting a paper he had prepared proposing that a flat rate rental figure be considered as a basis for calculation. The report took into consideration charges that are non-refundable and would still have to be paid even in the event of reduced usage.

A number of differing opinions were expressed but it was generally agreed by the majority of councillors that the fee agreed in Minute 1011 should be reduced, and that a meeting should be arranged with the representatives of the football club to discuss all other matters.

Resolved: To reduce the HHFC annual rent from £4,500 per annum to £3,600 per annum from 1 October 2009 for the year ending 31 March 2010 with a further review in January 2010 to take effect on 1 April 2010. The monthly rent for October 2009 to March 2010 inclusive will be £300 per month.

In response to a request by a councillor it was agreed to record the vote. The resolution was proposed by Cllr John Haselden. In favour were Cllrs John Haselden, John Kilby and Jackie King. Against the resolution were Cllrs Charlotte Benson and Robert Denham.

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm

Signed _____

Date _____

(DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 14 January 2010 at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.)