

**MINUTES OF LEISURE FACILITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 21st APRIL 2026 AT
MILLFIELDS PAVILLION MILL WAY NEEDINGWORTH AT 7.40 PM**

PRESENT:

Cllr C Pearce (Chairman)
Cllr R Fountain
Cllr E MacPherson
Cllr S Martin
Cllr S Mortlock
Cllr J Neish
Cllr A Whyte

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)

There were no members of the public present.

24. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

None.

25. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17th February 2026.

Cllr Mortlock advise of a typo last line first page.

Resolved: That with the above correction the minutes of 17th February 2026 be signed as a true and correct record. (Prop Cllr McPherson, 2nd Cllr Neish) All in favour.

26. Millfield's.

26.1 To approve request from Needingworth Cricket club to play a friendly fixture Sunday 24th May 2026.

Match postponed so item withdrawn.

26.2 To consider changes to cleaning facilities provided in Millfield's Pavillion.

Report provided to members outlining issues.

Resolved: That paper towels be removed with hand driers to be used. (Prop Cllr MacPherson, 2nd Cllr Mortlock) All in favour.

26.3 To note email from Needingworth Colts re fixture change 11th April 2026.

Chairman confirmed that the club have a copy of the rules of hire and that they are also displayed on the boards inside of Millfield's.

Noted.

26.4 To consider charges for weekly Pétanque Overflow car park, Overcote Lane.

Cllr Mortlock spoke to say that Council may like to consider a fee per person.

She went on to say that as Council was charging an agreement should be in place between both parties. She confirmed that Council holds a RA from the group.

Cllr Martin felt a per player/match would be tricky.

Cllr Fountain thought a weekly fee of £23 was easier.

Resolved: That a fee of £23 per week be set and that the Clerk look into the requirement for an agreement. Clerk also to check Parish Council insurance to ascertain cover provided. (Prop Cllr Neish, 2nd Cllr Mortlock) All in favour.

27. Overcote Lane playing field.

27.1 To consider installation of an additional bench in the under 12's play area.

A discussion took place and it was felt that there was already sufficient seating in the area. If visibility is an issue then parents need to move to be able to see their children.

Resolved: That no additional bench/seating be purchased. (Prop Cllr Whyte, 2nd Cllr Pearce) All in favour.

28. Items to report.

None

Being no further business the meeting closed at 8.04pm

Chairman

Date