



## Meeting of Recreation Ground User Groups on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

### Pride in Place Funding

Present: Adele Smith (TFPC), Ryan Waine, Luke Richards (Trawden Celtic), Ann Holmes (TFPC), Charlotte Tattersall, Damian Hardy (Trawden Celtic)

Apologies: Lester Spencer (TFPC)

The meeting was called as the Parish Council has secured Pride in Place Funding for upgrading the hot water system, showers and toilets.

1. Ann updated on the attendees on the current situation regarding transfer of the Recreation Ground to the Parish Council. There are still outstanding issues with the water supply and pipe whereby the Borough Council are asking the Parish Council to take responsibility for the whole pipe and any supplies that have been added to the service since installation. The Borough Council is aware of the two legal installations where a water meter has been installed. These have very little water usage. It is believed that there are other tap-ins without water meters. The Parish Council will discuss this at the next meeting and decide how to proceed.

Ryan Waine advised that he could look at any water supply issues.

2. Ann advised that the Parish Council has managed to secure £20,000 of Pride in Place funding and that the bid was detailed that it would be used to upgrade the hot water supply, showers and toilets. The Parish Council has committed to match funding, but this will be over two financial years.

Trawden Celtic advised that the under 18's use the changing rooms. The toilets are the most used facility in the pavilion. Nobody currently really uses the showers. Showers would still need to be available for other user groups (ie Trawden Athletic Club).

It is believed that there are currently copper tanks for hot water heated on an immersion heater. The heaters are currently on, constantly which is costly.

It was suggested that there should be a reduction to one changing room on each side of entrance which would create a larger entrance area that could be used as a canteen area. Trawden Celtic advised that there is a need to update the showers but not as many units is required. They would also like, at some point to install a kitchenette. They may be able to get funding for the kitchenette. They advised that they will be able to bid to the Football Foundation for funding for internal works once the transfer is complete.

Football clubs will use the Recreation Ground all summer for training.

Ryan felt that installation of a high pressure system would be required which would involve removing the water tanks in loft. A system called 'warm up' can be installed so that the hot water would only

be switched on as and when needed, remotely. He feels that the hot and cold systems would need to be re-piped.

There was a query whether it would be possible to install electric showers and hot water individual systems for each hot water tap. Ryan will go and view the building interior with Ann and Ryan will have it mapped out. Trawden Celtic will pass the photos of the inside of the pavilion to Ryan. Ryan also recommended that a Polyfloor and PVC wall panels should be installed for ease of cleaning and to keep costs down. Trawden Celtic advised that they already have people who would be interested in assisting with the works within the pavilion to improve it.

3. Any other business - none

Meeting closed 8.10pm

Please note – following the meeting, Ann apologised for not making introductions for those who were present.