

Sandridge Parish Council



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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPORTS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Councillors: James Lambert (Chair), Carol Chalkley, Mike White, Raihanna Ahmed, Graham Leonard, Jenny Roberts

Public members: Jez Cox, Chris Cooke

Officers: Rebecca Pannese; Project, Amenities and Community Engagement (PACE) Officer
Simon Thwaites; Parish Clerk

A meeting of the Sports and Recreation Grounds Committee is to be held on Wednesday 3rd December 2025 at 7.30pm at Marshalswick Community Centre.

A G E N D A

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Disclosures of Interest and Dispensations**
To receive declarations of interest from Members on items on the agenda and to receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests.
- 3. To approve the minutes of the Sports and Recreation Grounds Committee meeting held on the 17th September 2025**

4. 2025/26 Capital Works Update

William Bell Playground – Replacement Swing Set



Rugby / football goals at Jersey Farm Open Space



Capital budget update

Reminder of the committee capital budget for 2025/26

Harness Way - £12,000

Jersey Farm Adventure Playground - £10,000

Spencer Meadow Playground - £17,500

Spencer Meadow carpark - £14,000

Total - £53,500

Spend so far Capital Works

Harness Way (trampolines and extended wetpour) £18,050

Spencer Meadow car park £2,590

William Bell swings £4,635

Skate ramp painting £1,725

Sherwood Park goal £3,406

Table tennis St Leonards £3,495

Rugby / football goals £6,500

Total spend £40,401

Spend so far maintenance

Painting swing set St Leonards £325

Sherwood basket swing repairs £220

Astroturf Spencer Meadow £1,495

Trampoline clearance Sherwood - £150

Harness Way extended wetpour - £3,050

Total spend £2,190

Remaining budget (£53,500 – (£40,401 + £2,190) £10,909

5. Love Where you Live – 2 Minute Litter Pick

The PACE Officer has unsuccessfully attempted to contact officers at SADC to understand their experience of this initiative. It is recommended not to proceed with this currently.

6. Cricket / Football Pitch fees

The grounds maintenance contract value is expected to increase IRO 6% in 2025/26.

Use	Current	Proposed	Increase (6%)
	£	£	£
Football Pitch	1,043 annually	1,105	62
Cricket Pitch	2,397 annually	2,540	143
Tennis/Netball Court	6/12 per hour	6/12	0
Astro Court	6/15 per hour	6/15	0

(the 6/12 6/15 represents the cost of hire to individuals and to teams respectively)

Floodlight tokens are currently £10 per hour. We are not aware of any rise in energy costs to the SYSCA. It is therefore;

RECOMMENDED:

To increase pitch fees by 6% and leave the hire of the MUGA's and flood lights the same. Tennis/netball and Astro court hire is recommended not to increase within the current economic environment, and given their use is currently yielding high income levels.

7. 2026/27 Budget

In addition to the standard revenue budgets the following figures have been included in the budget for 2026/27

- £40,000 Capital works (currently unallocated)
- £5,750 General playground expenses
- £25,000 will be moved from general reserves to earmarked reserves for future capital works.

Members to discuss the research they have done on potential future capital projects.

8. Matters of Note

- The lower branches of the mature Oak tree at Sherwood Open Space that were growing close to the swing set have been removed.
- Usage of the MUGA's in Spencer Meadow has risen and October was a record month for income.

9. Any other Business

10. Matters Arising Since the Circulation of the Agenda

11. Suggestions for Future Meetings

Date of next meeting – 7:30pm Wednesday 3rd April 2026 at Marshalswick Community Centre