

# Ashford Hockey Club (Kent)

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**Committee + invited members**

Ben Dawson (BD)  
Paul Dawson (PD)  
Julia Sime (JS)  
Matt Goodwin (MG)  
Jeremy Paterson (JP)  
Cathie Elgar (CE)  
Lewis Elgar (LE)

**Type of Meeting:** Monthly Committee Meeting



Graham Bingham – Apologies  
Alan Paterson – Apologies  
James Chamberlain – Apologies  
Tony Spain – Apologies  
Matt Carter – Apologies  
Hayley Reynolds – Apologies  
Flo Playford – Apologies  
Geoff Playford – Apologies

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## Meeting Minutes

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**Agenda Item 1:** Apologies

**Discussion**

Apologies were received from those listed above who were invited to the meeting.

**Agenda Item 2:** Previous Meeting Minutes

**Discussion**

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February were fully agreed and signed off accordingly.

**Agenda Item 3:** Site & Astro turf maintenance

**Discussion**

**SITE UPDATE**

**1. Grass pitches**

Permanent groundsman is still an issue. Adrian Llong is hoped to continue until the end of the season, but a permanent solution is not yet defined.

**2. Carpark / Lighting**

Carpark lighting is now complete. Huge thanks to Peter Baxter for his flawless execution. A little tidying up to complete, but it is believed that Geoff Playford is in communication with PB about this.

**3. Astro turf / Lighting**

Areas of concern regarding surface integrity near left hand injection corner as face out of clubhouse. JP volunteered to contact AP Thompsons

**4. Goals**

Soccer 6 goals need replacing. LE volunteered to contact Hilly regarding sourcing replacements. Quote required first!

**5. Rubbish**

A number of Committee members commented that there is an excessive amount of rubbish being left around site. The Committee agreed that this should be cleaned up as part of the Fix It day, date to be fixed at April's Committee meeting (prior to AGM, also tba at April's meeting!).

JS commented that the Compound area was also to be cleared and flattened – she would lead and request assistance when required.

**Action Items:**

**LE to speak to Hilly re goals.**

**JP to contact AP Thompsons regarding playing surface quality**

**Agenda Item 4: Development Committee**

**Discussion**

DC unavailable to provide any update for this monthly committee meeting.

**Agenda Item 5: Treasurer's Report**

**Discussion**

- i) PD updated in AS absence that everything is looking comparatively healthy.
- ii) The Committee thanked JS and FP for their tireless Subscription-chasing feats!
- iii) PD commented that an agreement had been reached with Club physiotherapists for next season. The Clinic would continue next season with active physios subs' adjusted with Committee approval first.

**Agenda Item 6: Fundraising Committee**

**Discussion**

FP updated that BeerFest raised £250.

Upcoming Events:

- Celebration / Memorial Day – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.
  - Mens 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Invitational
  - Ladies 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Invitational
  - Mixed Game

**Action Items:**

**FP to coordinate Celebration Day.**

**Agenda Item 7: AOB**

**Discussion**

1. H&S  
JP to conduct 2016 risk assessment before end of season.
2. Juniors – update to be added to the agenda for the next meeting.  
LE commented that the Junior section is going well – the U16 team beat Holcombe 13-0!!!  
13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March are Kent tournaments for U10s and U12s. LE to publicise.  
LE updated that there is an insurance issue with the after school club at North School. Discussions ongoing with ABC (Pete Le Rossignol)  
LE updated that Natalie Bennett from EH is still working closely with AHC, and would like to run a coaching course at AHC – the Committee fully supports this.  
LE requested support for running a “Back to Hockey” course. Committee fully supported.
3. Website. CE to send MG / BD details of who controls KJFC before next meeting. The Committee agreed that AHC needs to publicise itself better!
4. Umpires. BD commented we are almost at the end of the tunnel – 2 more weeks to go! Special support and thanks to Jon Taylor for his tireless work.  
PD commented that all Captains should be reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that umpires (Pool or otherwise) should be looked after when officiating at AHC.
5. MG commented that Junior fixture amendments must be communicated ASAP once changes are known.  
CE volunteered to review with Nick Reeve.

**Action Items:**

**JP to conduct site 2016 Risk Assessment**

**CE to send details of KJFC webmaster**

**The meeting closed at 20h20.**