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Minutes of the **Recreation, Amenities and War Memorials Committee** held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7.00pm in the Corn Exchange Complex, Hungerford

**Present:** Cllrs Benneyworth, Podger, Wilson, Wood  
Cllrs Bumbieris, Small and Leach arrived later

**Also:** Ted Angell (HAHA) and Geoff Adams

1. **Apologies for absence.** Cllr Farrell and Geoff Greenland (HAHA)
2. **Declarations of interest.** None
3. **Agreement of minutes of meeting held 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2014.** Cllr Wilson proposed minutes, seconded by Cllr Wood, 1 abstention, 3 in favour.
4. **Allotments - HAHA report-** Ted advised Marsh Lane has 5 empty plots and 6 on the waiting list and Fairfields is full with 1 on the waiting list. Finances: - Expenditure is less than income so at the end of the year they will increase their assets. They very much welcomed the response of Donnington Homes who are open to discussions regards renewing the lease. Cllr Bumbieris entered.
5. **Theatre Company Presentation** – Postponed until Full Council
6. **Triangle Field**
  - **Users Committee Report** – The fireworks display would need permission from WBC and the users committee feel it is too soon to be hoisting such an event. **Action:** Clerk to contact D Taylor to see if he is interested in doing some grass cutting at the Triangle Field.
  - **Payments of final invoice** – The final invoice is yet to be received. There is a 5% retention applicable.
  - **Works regards septic tank** – The septic tank is being emptied on Tuesday. RGC then will know the capacity of the tank and can quote for back filling it with concrete.
  - **Snagging list** – The benches have all been secured with stronger fixings. Shoring up of the pipes has been done and electrics also. Tiles are to be completed next week. Cllr Small entered.
7. **Croft Field**
  - **update** – Cllr Small has drafted an email for C Broughton (WBC). It will include rent reduction, rent free period, and our plans for the next 2 years including ridding of the canoes. Clerk and Cllrs will read through. An asbestos report and electrical report have been provided by PCF contractors. The cost was more expensive than anticipated. **Action:** Cllr Small will revise his draft email in line with these figures. Clerk will compare with figures already received and look to obtain any comparative quotes necessary.
  - **survey responses – (taken after item 8).** The clerk read out the survey response. Cllr Leach entered and advised it was a good response. Opportunities are there for improvement. If we wish to apply for grants we will need a more in depth survey. There is a clear need for use of the field and centre together. Not many have come forward volunteering to fundraise although around 30 of the current users have offered their support.

- 8. Update of improvements to skate park and Bulpit Lane Play Park** – A new basket swing, zip wire and surfy are in place. Two new fences have been erected alongside the skate park and the swimming pool house.

**Meeting closed at 8.00pm**