

South Copeland Sports Partnership

Meeting Notes: 22nd October 2020

Members present:

Elliot Burrow

Dave Billing

Dave Ward

Marion Giles

Mark Fell

Gareth Bawden

Gareth Kendall

Steven Olliver

Shelley Myers

Sarah Lupton

Michael Betteridge

Craig Evans

Bill Knowles

Sarah Knowles

Paula Simons

Lesley Davey

Richard Metcalf

Phil Driver

Graeme Mellen

Apologies

Helen Pitts

Russell Lowe

Tracey Procter

Don and Ann Marshall

Tracy and Ian Kirk

Steph Ambrose

Rory Moore

Karen Roberts

Andrew Rigg

Mike Wilson

Nicola Cuthbert

Debra Tyson

Bev Sharp

Gillian Hartley

Graeme Bickerstaffe

Meeting Notes

It was great to get together to have another South Copeland Sports Partnership meeting out at Millom Rugby Union Club and to keep making progress with the clubs in the area.

We started the meeting with an update from Millom School's Head Of P.E Steven Olliver on the current situation with the astroturf over at the school.

Olliver informed the group that there is a drain check due on the pitch on the 27th October and that the Sports England Consultancy Firm will be looking at it and assessing the facility.

He also stated that the costs to replace the surface could cost around £180,000 but this is only considered an initial ballpark figure and that the perimeter fence had now been fixed.

Dave Billing also provided an update on the Millom and Haverigg Plan which looks at a refurbishment of both parks.

Billing told us that the refurbishment has phases to it and the first phase looks at updating all of the play equipment which will cost £200,000, and this has been given the green light to undergo the work under the accelerator fund in which the town was given.

The next phase is the repair work which needs to be carried out at the MUGA which includes work being done to the ground and fences and also the pavilion.

The cost would be between £30,000 - £50,000 and Dave is currently looking at options such as the Copeland Community Fund to secure this, even though he needs to justify that the facility would be used by people and clubs in the town.

Millom Football Club have begun their changing room project where they plan on building new ones, and have received £75,000 to help with job.

Millom Rugby Union and Millom Cricket Club proposed their ideas of needing new changing rooms to help with their push to try and encourage more female involvement in sport and Millom Rugby League are also looking for funding to help them with new drains for their training pitch.

South Copeland Sea Sports also require a new tractor to help them get their boats out to sea which would cost in the region of £5,000 - £10,000 and Millom Bowling Club have managed to secure an extension of their lease for the bowling green.

Silecroft golf and footgolf are looking at possibilities of improving the road down the club which could cost around £30,000 to sort. Millom Archery also require a storage cupboard to house their equipment and funding for coaching.

Around the Combe Sports Facebook page is also to be utilised to add South Copeland Sports Partnership's Sports Clubs contact details and eventually a matrix for training/ match day information.

Finally a big thanks goes to Richard Metcalf from Active Cumbria who offered some brilliant guidance throughout the night to help the clubs with their funding and plans for the group going forward.

The other thanks also goes to Millom Rugby Union Club for their hospitality and allowing us to use their facilities for the meeting.

The next meeting is now scheduled for Thursday 3rd December down at Millom Rugby League Club.

By Elliot Burrow