

# The Conservators of Therfield Heath and Greens

The Therfield Regulation Trust  
c/o Royston Golf Club, Baldock Rd, Royston, SG8 5BG  
Registered Charity No. 277881  
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## Summary Minutes for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7:00 pm via Microsoft Teams

- 1.06/20 Apologies for Absence: none received
- 2.06/20 Declarations of interest: no changes
- 3.06/20 Approve the minutes of 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020: approved
- 4.06/20 **Matters arising** not covered in the agenda
- 5.06/20 **Actions/Updates from previous meetings**
- i. Brian Racher – CS: Await input from BH re bins
  - ii. Dustbin update – BH: Waiting for input from golf club, will meet with Ian to discuss.
  - iii. Rugby and Cricket Club update – BH, CS: Communications with clubs has raised a few possible conflicts. It is suggested that a JAC meeting would help resolve these issues. Meeting with Rugby highlighted an additional issue: there is a specific high risk conflict between golfers and rugby spectators on a Sunday morning alongside the 1<sup>st</sup> tee. Three proposed solutions are being discussed. The Golf club have been contracted to cut the Rugby training areas and extra bits by the Rugby Club.
  - iv. Archery and Runners update – JK: Archery want a new container and to move it closer to where they shoot. They don't have current planning permission or S38 commons consent – both of which would be required.
  - v. Police update - RL: Police are maintaining visibility on site and in the car parks. Few issues reported. BH reported seeing fire engine and police following a small fire in the woods but we are currently unsure if it was on our land.
  - vi. Gladmans update - JK, CH: CH feels he understands impact on Heath and will write it up. Survey work was being done by Gladmans on the SSSI and has now been removed – they had no permission to do it. Main impacts from the development believed to be – visual from Lankester Hill and emergency access using the bridleway (Rights of Way have come out strongly against this).
  - vii. Governance update – CSw, CH, NG: so far agreed “We have an opportunity to clarify the structure and address the ambiguity. Whatever we do will involve consulting with the public in an open and transparent way. This will reinforce our evolving positive relationship with the community and stakeholders, including our tenants. Will consult and keep Conservators updated on ideas, plan and timeline.” The aim is to remove ambiguity.
  - viii. Church Hill signs update – CC, CSw: The group had a meeting and has agreed to progress with collating ideas for content.
  - ix. Risk Register – CSw: CSw has done draft and CH will look through it as he has experience. It is needed for the trustee report to go with the 2019 accounts.
  - x. Bird signs update – CS: Need stakes – JK will see what he can find, then CS can erect signs.

6.06/20 **Finance**

- i. Accounts update: CSw to speak to Hardcastle Burton next week and will circulate accounts after that.

7.06/20 **Stakeholder Management**

- i. Plan update – BH: BH has circulated update for everyone to consider.
- ii. Joint Advisory Committee: If we are going to hold such a meeting, need to get our own online meeting subscription. All Conservators want to be involved. Cricket, Rugby and Golf all interested. NG suggests getting written submissions from all groups in advance.

8.06/20 **Heath and Greens Maintenance**

- i. Hay Green – bollards, spraying, work on western boundary: RL and CS have a meeting next Thursday with Andy Osborne and Mike McGloin. RL thinks all residents need a letter to remind them they can't do works without permission.

9.06/20 **Any other business**

It has been announced that the Kite festival is postponed, we await official confirmation.

10.06/20 **Date of next meeting 28<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm-8pm**