

CLERK'S NOTE TO FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 3 MAY 2022**COST OF REINSTATING THE OUTFIELD FOLLOWING DAMAGE CAUSED BY FOOTBALL**

Following extensive work by the grounds staff the outfield has now been restored following the damage caused by football during the wet weather in February.

The total cost of the work is £12,342.59 broken down as follows:

End of season renovations March 2022**Materials**

Supply 120 ton of blend 55	£5,374.80
Supply 20 bags of DLF PM79 seed	£1,500.00
Supply 21 bags of pre seed fertiliser 12-6-6	£1,196.79
<u>Cost of materials:</u>	£8,271.59

Work required

Scarify the pitches twice
 Verti drain the entire site
 Over seed the entire site in two directions
 Spread the 120 ton of dressings
 Drag matt the dressings and level
 Spread the 21 bags of fertiliser

Machinery & Labour costs: **£4,071.00**

Total cost of end of season renovation: **£12,342.59 plus vat**

Under the terms of Clauses 11(a) & (b) of the Conditions of Hire signed by the club Chairman the hirer is liable to compensate the Parish Council for any damaged caused to the facilities (the amount of compensation to be reasonably assessed by the Clerk).

Due to the considerable cost of the remedial work, the Parish Council is asked to consider whether it requires the club to pay the full cost of the work or whether it is prepared to cover a proportion of the cost and, if so, what that proportion should be.

At the meeting on 2 March with the football club Chairman and other representatives, the club Chairman denied responsibility for the damage and refused to pay for or contribute towards the restoration work.

Should the Parish Council decide to invoice the club either for the full amount or a proportion of the cost and the club refuses to pay, it will be in breach of the Hire Agreement and, as a consequence, the Parish Council will be within its rights to refuse any future requests from the club to hire the facilities.

Note: An invoice has been prepared for the 2nd instalment of charges for hire of the football pitches, changing rooms and tea room. However, due to the cancellation of 6 weekends during the season and a delay by 2 months in delivery of the storage container for which the club paid a hire charge, a credit of £70.00 is due and should be refunded to the club in order to ensure the Parish Council has complied with its obligations under the terms of the Hire Agreement relating to cancellations.